

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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ROAD DEVELOPMENT IN NAXAL AFFECTED AREAS

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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government has any scheme for construction of National Highway network in the naxal affected areas of the country;
- (b) if so, the details alongwith the status of construction of NHs in such area, State-wise;
- (c) whether consultations were held in this regard with the concerned State Governments for expediting the projects;
- (d) if so, the details of suggestions received from the State Governments and the action taken thereon;
- (e) whether some road projects were delayed and/or brought to a halt due to naxal activities; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof including the remedial measures taken for fast track road development in the naxal affected areas of the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R. P. N. SINGH)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The Government has approved scheme for development of 1202 km of National Highways and 4363 km of State Roads in Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected areas of 33 Districts in eight States at an estimated cost of 7300 crore for implementation in phased manner during next three years. State wise details of the identified length and estimates sanctioned for National Highways are indicated below:

Sl. No.	State	Length identified (in km)	Estimates sanctioned
		Length in km	Cost in Rs. crore
1	Andhra Pradesh	119.95	52.65 95.16
2	Bihar	75.50	11.50 11.53
3	Chhattisgarh	410.00	46.00 63.94
4	Jharkhand	534.16	0.00 0.00
5	Uttar Pradesh	62.83	0.00 0.00
Total		1202.44	110.15 170.63

(c): Yes, Sir.

(d): The stretches for improvement have been identified in consultation with the State Governments. Implementation of the projects on identified NHs has been taken up as per priority of the State Governments for the construction of these roads depending upon their ability to provide security during construction period.

(e): No, Sir.

(f): Does not arise.