GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2032 ANSWERED ON:09.03.2010 CONDITION OF ROADS/STREET LIGHTS Bali Ram Dr.

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a): whether the roads and street lighting are in a poor shape in various parts of the NCT of Delhi under the jurisdiction of the MCD and NDMC:
- (b): if so, the details thereof alongwith the remedial measures being taken in this regard;
- (c): the details of the road construction/repair/street lighting projects being undertaken by the said civic agencies, the allocation made in this regard and expenditure incurred during each of the last three years and the current year; and
- (d): the steps taken by the said civic agencies to ensure prompt repair of damaged roads and faulty lights?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN)

- (a)& (b): The New Delhi Municipal Council(NDMC) and the Municipal Corporation of Delhi(MCD) have informed that the roads street lights, etc. under their jurisdiction are in satisfactory condition.
- (c): The NDMC has undertaken resurfacing of 117 roads, of which 91 roads have been resurfaced. The allocation and expenditure on road construction/repair by the Council during the last three years and the current year are as under:-

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Year Allocation Expenditure (Rs. in crore) (Rs. in crore)
2006-07 12.10 13.33
2007-08 42.50 37.01
2008-09 10.70 11.13
2009-10 34.40 21.90
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For the purpose of upgradation of road lighting, the NDMC has taken up work of 80 roads in the current phase at a cost of Rs. 3900 lakh. The expenditure incurred on construction/maintenance of street lights during the last three years and the current year is as under:-

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Year Expenditure (Rs. in lakh)

2006-07 213

2007-08 510

2008-09 442

2009-10 340
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(upto January, 2010)

The MCD has informed that it has undertaken construction of 16 road over-bridges/under-bridges at different level crossing to ease out traffic congestion. The other major projects undertaken by the MCD include street-scapping on 20 roads connecting to stadia, historical places, games venue relating to CWG 2010; providing greenery/beautification at 15 existing flyovers/road over-bridges/road under-bridges; infrastructure upgradation in the vicinity of Hotels/Guest Houses; improvement and upgradation of street lights; etc. The funds allocated and expenditure incurred by the MCD on construction/repair of roads and street lights during the last three years and the current year are as under:-

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Year Allocation Expenditure (Rs. in crore) (Rs. in crore)

2006-07 135.00 107.38

2007-08 179.48 122.63

2008-09 343.47 216.46

2009-10 346.50 309.20
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(d): Each zone of the MCD has been equipped with the zonal control room to carry out repairing of roads and faulty lights promptly.In the NDMC, road repair during defect liability period is carried out by the constructing agency and other repair is carried out through five road service centres, covering the entire NDMC area. The NDMC has engaged the requisite staff for day-to-day patrolling and maintenance/repair of street lighting installations.