

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

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CONSTRUCTION OF HIGHWAYS IN HILL STATES
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to develop National Highways, including roads connecting the districts in the Hill States of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the length of such roads constructed/developed in such States during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and
- (c) the details of the funds allocated and spent during the said period?

Answer

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

(a) This Ministry is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways. As per the policy of this Ministry, roads which help opening up large tracks of backward areas and hilly regions are, inter-alia, considered while declaration of new National Highways. There is no specific policy for road connectivity in the Hilly areas.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.