

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2341
ANSWERED ON:21.07.2009
SANCTIONING OF NEW NHS
Deo Shri Kalikesh Narayan Singh

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

- (a) whether the Government has a proposal to sanction new National Highways (NHs) in States;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of roads in Orissa likely to be declared as NHs;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to increase the allocation of funds for the ongoing NHs; and
- (e) if so, the funds required and sanctioned for the NHs from Khurda to Bolangir?

Answer

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

- (a) to (c) Declaration of new National Highways(NHs) is currently not a priority for the Government since the emphasis is on development of existing National Highways which suffer from many deficiencies.
- (d) Yes, Sir.
- (e) No work wise or NH-wise allocation is made for development of NHs.