GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2664 ANSWERED ON:10.08.2010 NH DEVELOPMENT IN KERALA Dhanaplan Shri K. P.

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

(a) whether priority is accorded to certain States in the allocation of funds for the National Highway development;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the amount allocated to the State of Kerala in the last three years and the amount utilised from the same; and

(d) the present status of National Highway development in the State of Kerala?

Answer

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

(a) and (b) No, Sir. The allocation for National Highways Original [NH(O)] Works are made to the States depending upon the condition of the National Highways (NHs), the works sanctioned for development / improvement of NHs, and overall availability of funds.

(c) The year-wise details of the funds allocated for the State of Kerala for the development of NHs and expenditure incurred during the last three years are given below:

Year Allocation Expenditure
 (Rs. in crore) (Rs. in crore)
2007-08 58.48 50.10
2008-09 72.53 73.20

2009-10 141.23 141.23

(d) The total length of NH network in the State of Kerala is about 1,457 km. Out of this, about 1,451 km length has been programmed for development under various phases of the National Highways Development Project (NHDP).