

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

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has urged the various State Governments to adhere to the stipulated 45 meter width for the National Highways in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether many State Governments are not willing to adhere to this stipulation; and
- (d) if so, the details and reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) The prescribed standard for minimum Right of Way (ROW) width is 60m for the National Highways in the country. However, in exceptional cases the width ROW can be reduced upto 45m.
- (c) & (d) Occasional requests for reduction in ROW are made by State Governments in specific situations. However, the Government of Kerala have been pressing for ROW width of 30m. It has not been possible to accede to their request so far.