

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4433
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CONSTRUCTION OF QUALITY ROADS
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some of the National Highways constructed recently were damaged in a very short span of time;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year alongwith the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether any enquiry was conducted in the matter;
- (d) if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and
- (e) the action taken against agencies/ persons responsible?

Answer

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

(a) to (e) Yes, Sir. Two instances of damages had occurred on National Highways (NHs) during 2007-08. These damaged stretches were between km 226 to km 264 on NH-48 in the State of Karnataka and on NH-1C (Domel-Katra road) in the State of Jammu & Kashmir. Both the sections of the road were repaired and made traffic worthy in the year 2008-09.

Enquiry has been initiated regarding the damage on NH-48. The contract was terminated in November, 2008 and the matter is now under arbitration.

An enquiry has been ordered regarding the damage on NH-1C and its proceedings are in progress.