

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

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

- (a) the number and details of National Highways in the country at present alongwith their status thereof, State-wise;
- (b) the details of the above NHs which needs to be repaired;
- (c) whether the Government of Tamil Nadu has sent proposals for construction of new NHs and repair of the roads which are in a dilapidated condition; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the steps taken by the Union Government thereon?

Answer

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

(a) and (b): State / Union Territory-wise details of National Highways (NHs) and their lane-wise distributions as on 30-09-2010 are annexed. The development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs) is a continuous process and the NHs in the country are being kept in traffic worthy condition within the available resources based upon the assessment of their conditions, depending upon traffic density and inter-se priority of works.

(c) and (d): The State Government of Tamil Nadu has submitted 17 proposals amounting to Rs. 420 crore for development of NHs and 4 proposals amounting to Rs. 25.35 crore for Periodical Renewal (PR) under Maintenance & Repair (M&R) of NHs during 2010-11, so far. Out of these, 2 proposals for a total estimated cost of Rs. 63.44 crore for development of NHs and 3 proposals for a total estimated cost of Rs. 15.61 crore for PR have been sanctioned, so far.

The State Government of Tamil Nadu has submitted 8 proposals for declaration of State Roads as NHs totaling a length of about 839 km. Expansion of NH network is a continuous process and declaration of new NH is taken up from time to time depending upon condition of road, requirement of connectivity, inter-se priority and availability of funds.