

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

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FOUR LANING OF NHs
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether four laning of all the National Highways is proposed to be carried out;
- (b) if so, whether the four laning of the National Highway from Bhavnagar to Rajkot in Gujarat is proposed to be done;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the effective steps taken/being taken in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) The Ministry has no proposal for four laning of all the National Highways (NHs) in the country.
 - (b) to (d) Bhavnagar is connected with Rajkot by NH via NH-8E between Bhavnagar and Veraval, via NH-8D between Veraval and Jetpur and via NH-8B between Jetpur and Rajkot. Jetpur to Rajkot section of NH-8B is on the East-West corridor and this section has already been four laned. The work of four laning of Jetpur – Veraval section of NH-8D has been awarded under National Highways Development Project (NHDP) Phase-III.
- Veraval – Bhavnagar section of NH-8E is not included under NHDP. However, National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has awarded consultancy services for feasibility study for improvement of Bhavnagar - Veraval –Dwarka section of NH-8E.
- The four laning of Bhavnagar – Trapaj section of NH-8E through public private partnership on Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT) basis is included under the Annual Plan during 2010-11.