

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

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

- (a) whether the Government is considering to convert Patna-Chhapra- Gopalganj and Muzaffarpur-Samastipur-Barauni roads into four-lane roads;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which these roads are likely to be converted into four-lane roads?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) to (c) Patna-Hazipur section of NH-19 is already 4 laned and is with PWD Bihar. Concession Agreement for 4 laning of Hazipur-Chhapra section of NH-19 with construction of 2 lane Bypass around Chhapra town, on BOT (Annuity) basis, has been signed on 28.07.2010 with 2.5 years construction period. Chhapra-Gopalganj section has, at present, been taken up for 2 laning with paved shoulders as per the traffic requirement, on BOT (Annuity) basis. The Letter of Award (LOA) for the work has been issued on 22.02.2011. Construction period for work is 2.5 years as per the Concession Agreement.

Muzaffarpur-Samastipur-Barauni Section of NH-28 is proposed for 2 lanes with paved shoulder under NHDP Phase-IV based on the traffic requirement. The Request for Qualification for the project has been received by the National Highways Authority of India (NHA) and are under evaluation.