

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3
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DANDI HERITAGE ROUTE
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the amount provided for Dandi Heritage Route NH-228 during the current year;
- (b) whether amount has been reduced to Rs. 25 crores as the proposals of the State Government of Gujarat have not been approved;
- (c) if so, the details thereof ; and
- (d) the reasons for non-approval of grant for such an important project?

Answer

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

- (a) During the current year 2011-12 allocation of Rs. 10.00 crore has been made for Dandi Heritage Route.
- (b) to (d) Yes, Madam. The allocation of Rs. 125.00 crore made during the year 2010-11 was reduced to Rs. 25.00 crore, for want of finalization of the alignment and other details of the Dandi Heritage Route by the Ministry of Culture, which is the nodal Ministry in Government of India coordinating activities for development of Heritage Route. In the meanwhile this Ministry took up improvement of riding quality and widening of existing carriageway of NH-228 within the available Right of Way in a length aggregating to 262 km for an amount of Rs. 167.52 crore in first phase, after declaration of NH-228. The works have been completed.