

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

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LOW FOOT OVER BRIDGES ON NHS

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

- (a) whether the National Highways Authority of India (NHA) has built Foot Over Bridges with ground clearance of only 5.5 metres on National Highways connecting borders whereas the maximum height of armed forces vehicles carrying weapons is 6 metres;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons for fixing 5.5 metres height without considering the height of armed forces vehicles;
- (c) whether the NHA is creating obstacles for Army vehicles in terms of swift troops and weapons mobility;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the corrective measures taken by the Government to remove these obstacles for Army vehicles carrying troops and weapons?

Answer

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

- (a) No, Madam. National Highways Authority of India (NHA) has not constructed any foot over bridges on National Highways connecting border areas.
- (b) However, Indian Roads Congress guideline (IRC-SP-84-2009) stipulates that a minimum vertical clearance of 5.5 meters shall be provided at all points of the carriageway of National Highway.
- (c) No, Madam.
- (d) & (e) Do not arise.