

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

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CONSTRUCTION OF NHS AND BRIDGES IN GUJARAT

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

- (a) the number of National Highways (NHs) in Gujarat alongwith their length;
- (b) the number of national highways which have been converted into four lanes;
- (c) the number of national highways connected with golden quadrilateral alongwith their names;
- (d) whether there is delay in the on-going construction of highways and bridges in the State; and
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor alongwith the time-frame fixed for completion of said construction works?

Answer

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

- (a) The State of Gujarat is served by 13 number of National Highways namely National Highway no. 6,8,8A,8B,8C,8D,8E,14,15,59,76A,113 & 228 having aggregate length of 3188 km and one National Expressway (NE-1) from Ahmedabad to Vadodara having length of 93.0 km.
- (b) The National Highways converted into four lanes are at Annex.
- (c) The part of Golden Quadrilateral passing through the State of Gujarat is National Highway no. 8 from Rajasthan/Gujarat border to Ahmedabad, National Expressway from Ahmedabad to Vadodara and National Highway no.8 from Vadodara to Gujarat/Maharashtra border.
- (d) Yes, Madam. There has been delay in completion of two on-going road works namely four laning of Gagodhar to Garamore of NH-8A and six-laning of Surat-Dahisar section of NH-8. These works also include construction of structures such as bridges, flyovers and ROB's, etc. falling on the stretches as per required lane width. In addition, three bridge works at km. 68/200, km. 78/200, km. 190/00 of NH-8A are running behind schedule.
- (e) Land acquisition, change in scope, unfavourable climatic condition, technical problem and delay on the part of concessionaire are the reasons for delay in completion of works. The likely time frame for completion of said works is March, 2012.