

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

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BIDDING AND AWARDING OF HIGHWAY PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to promote transparency in bidding and awarding of highway projects; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (DR. TUSHAR A. CHAUDHARY)

(a)and(b) All National Highways Development Project (NHDP) projects are awarded under international competitive bidding. The award process follows the procedures laid down in Request for Qualification (RFQ)/ Request for Proposal (RFP) documents approved by the Government. For free, fair, transparent and fearless participation by bidders, e-tendering has also been introduced in National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) which is a fully transparent procedure in which the bidders can even see their status in each tendering process online.