

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

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NH 34 AND 35

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

- (a) whether the roads on NH-34 and 35 are extremely dilapidated and narrow causing frequent accidents;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken or proposes to steps to repair/widen/strengthen the roads on said NHs;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the funds allocated for the repair of NH-34 was reduced in comparison to 2008-09; and
- (f) if so, the reasons therefor alongwith the details of expenditure/funds allocated for the purpose during each of the last three years?

**Answer**

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

(a): No, Madam

(b)to(d): The stretch of NH-34 from Km 31 to Km 452.700 (Dalkhola ), has been awarded on BOT (Toll)/ (Annuity ) basis in five packages. The four laning of NH-34 is extremely slow due to land acquisition problems in West Bengal. As regards repair of NH-34, Rs 50 crore has been allocated during current year by Ministry. As regards NH-35, the carriageway width is mostly intermediate lane. The work of 4 laning of NH-35 has been included in NHDP -III. The work of preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) was taken up. DPR could not be completed as survey was obstructed by local people for 14.6 Km length for proposed Bypass alignment. Subsequently, it was decided to widen the existing road with bypass on two locations of Ashoknagar-Habra and Bangaon. Survey for this was also not allowed by locals. Alternative option following existing alignment is under study. A provision of Rs 3.00 crore has been made in the Annual Plan 2011-12 for widening of NH-35 from Km 0.0 to Km 3.0 within existing carriageway.

(e)&(f) NH wise allocation is not made by NHA for repair and maintenance. Funds are allotted for expenditure on maintenance & repair based on the condition of the road and requirement thereof. The funds spent for maintenance on NH-34 during the last three years is as under :

Year Funds spent for maintenance  
(Rs. Cr)

2008-09 Rs. 94.93 Crore

2009-10 Rs. 22.34 Crore

2010-11 Rs. 13.97 Crore

The road which was repaired in 2008-09, was under Defect Liability Period in year 2009-10 and 2010-11 and was also in a fair condition. Hence lesser amount was spent in succeeding years.