

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:316
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WIDENING OF HIGHWAYS UNDER NHDP
Sule Supriya

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to widen National Highways under the National Highway Development Programme;
- (b) if so, the details of highways, length of road to be widened and cost thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has also approved foreign direct investment by a Hyderabad based Company;
- (d) if so, the terms and conditions of FDI and investment proposed to be made;and
- (e) the progress made so far and the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS(SHRI R.N.P. SINGH)

- (a) Yes Sir.The National Highways Authority of India (NHA) has been tasked with implementation of the National Highways Development Project (NHDP) which envisages upgradation and strengthening of National Highways through 4/6/8 laning of National Highways, construction of expressways, ring roads etc under various phases of NHDP.
- (b) The details of length of national highways under various phases of NHDP and cost thereof, are enclosed as Annexure-I.
- (c) to (e) Foreign Direct Investment upto 100% is permitted in Highways on the automatic route.