

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

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EPC MODEL FOR NHS
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to introduce a new model of EPC for National Highways;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action plan formulated for the same;
- (c) whether any target has been fixed by the Government for the same; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a)&(b) Yes, Madam. The formulation of proposed Model Engineering Procurement and Construction (EPC) Document for construction of 2- lane National Highways is under finalization in consultation with various stakeholders including Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Law & Justice, State Govts. World Bank, Asian Development Bank, Law firms etc. As mandated by Empowered Group of Ministers (EGoM) in its meeting held on 15th February, 2012 the EPC is to be finalized through Inter- Ministerial consultations, after which the same could be placed before Cabinet Committee on Infrastructure (CCI) for consideration.

(c) No Madam.

(d) Does not arise.