

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

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CONVERSION OF NH-77 INTO FOUR-LANE
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the project regarding conversion of NH-77 into four lane has been approved;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the progress made so far;
- (c) the time by which the work on the said highway to convert it into four lane is likely to be start;
- (d) the target set for completion of this project alongwith the difficulties being faced regarding commencement of works; and
- (e) the action taken by the Government to solve these problems?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS(SHRI R.P.N. SINGH)

(a): The section of NH-77 from Hajipur (Patna) to Muzaffarpur has been approved for four laning under BOT (Annuity).However,the part length of NH-77 from Muzaffarpur to Sonbarsa which is not found viable for four lane on BOT (Toll) has been approved by Public Private Partnership Appraisal Committee for improvement as two lane with paved shoulder under BOT(Toll).

(b) to (e): For Hajipur (Patna) to Muzaffarpur section of NH-77, bids received on 1st call were considered too high and not accepted. Hence, bids have been re-invited with bid due date being 03.08.2009 and construction period of 30 months.

For Muzaffarpur to Sonbarsa section of NH-77,on call of bids twice on BOT(Toll) for four lane, there was no response.Hence, as per directions of PPPAC, the restructuring of project to two lane with paved shoulder is in progress.