

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5000

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UPGRADATION OF STATE ROADS HIGHWAYS INTO NHS

Dhurve Jyoti;Gutha Shri Sukender Reddy;Kodikunnil Shri Suresh;Naranbhai Shri Kachhadia;Rathwa Shri Ramsinhbhai
Patalbhai;Shukla Shri Balkrishna Khanderao Balu Shukla

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has received proposals from various State Governments including Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat and Rajasthan for declaration/upgradation of State roads/ Highways into NHs;
- (b) if so, the details of proposals submitted by the State Governments during the last three years and the current year alongwith the action taken by the Government thereon and the time-frame fixed in this regard;
- (c) the number of proposals approved and new National Highways declared during the said period particularly in Gujarat under BOT scheme and the State-wise number of NHs to be declared in the country during the Twelfth Five Year Plan;
- (d) whether no road has been upgraded in Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh during the above period; and
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor and the time by which the Government intends to upgrade SHs into NHs in these States?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) Yes, Madam. The details of proposals for declaration/upgradation of State roads/Highways into NHs submitted by the State Governments are annexed. The Government has declared 6269 Kms. of State roads/highways into National Highways during the said period. Expansion of National Highway network is a continuous process and declaration of new National Highway is taken up from time to time depending upon requirement of connectivity, inter-se priority and availability of funds. The development of newly declared National Highways could be taken up only after such National Highways are entrusted to executing agencies after obtaining No Objection Certificate for transferring assets and liabilities of the land from concerned State Governments. However, declaration of any new National Highways does not entail any investment either from budgetary resources or from private sector.

(d) No, Madam

(e) Does not arise.