

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

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HIGHWAY PROJECTS

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

- (a) the targets fixed for construction / development of the National Highways for the current financial year, scheme-wise and State-wise;
- (b) the allocation of funds made in this regard and the time-frame prescribed for completion of these projects, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has been able to achieve the targets fixed for the Eleventh Five Year Plan including per day targets of road construction;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) the details of projects delayed alongwith the reasons therefor as well as cost escalations therein, State-wise;
- (f) whether the Government has reviewed the progress of these delayed projects; and
- (g) if so, the details and outcome thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

- (a) The scheme-wise details of targets fixed for construction / development of the National Highways (NHs) during the current financial year, i.e. 2012-13 are at Annexure-I. The targets for construction / development of NHs are not fixed State-wise.
- (b) State-wise details of funds allocated for construction / development of NHs during the current financial year are at Annexure-II. The development and maintenance of NHs is a continuous process and projects are generally targeted for completion from 12 months to 36 months depending upon the nature and magnitude of the project.
- (c) to (g) There were slippages in achieving the targets fixed for the Eleventh Five Year Plan due to various reasons such as delay in land acquisition, shifting of utilities, obtaining environment, forest clearances and railway approvals, poor performance of contractors and law & order problems in some States which led to delays in implementation of projects. State-wise details of delayed on-going NH projects are at Annexure-III. As these projects are at various stages of progress, actual cost escalation can be ascertained only after completion of the projects. The delayed projects are closely monitored and periodically reviewed at the Headquarter at the level of Hon'ble Minister & Secretary (RT&H) as well as in the field units which has resulted in resolving the issues for expeditious completion of projects.