

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

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NH

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

- (a) whether the State Government of Rajasthan has requested to the Union Government to provide more funds for upgradation of new roads as National Highways as well as for development/ renovation/repair of National Highways in the State particularly for the section of NH-65 in Churu district which is in a very bad condition;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with; the action taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) the ratio of increase in traffic and construction of roads in the country particularly with respect to Rajasthan;
- (d) whether there is any imbalance in the said ratio; and
- (e) if so, the action-plan of the Government to do away with this?

Answer

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

(a) & (e) Development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs) is a continuous process and works are taken up based on priority and availability of funds. While capacity augmentation is generally based on traffic, connectivity is the main criteria for declaration of new NHs. The funds for development, renovation and maintenance of NHs are allocated state wise keeping in view the committed liabilities, interse- priority and funds available with the Ministry. For the State of Rajasthan funds for development and maintenance amounting to NHs of Rs.196. 79 crore and Rs.119.78 crore respectively have been allotted for 2012-13.