

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

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RUBBERIZATION OF ROADS

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

- (a) whether the Government is considering rubberization of all National Highways including roads in backward and rural areas.
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the experiments conducted so far in this regard; and
- (c) the details of rubberized roads under construction and constructed in the country during the last three years and the current year particularly in the State of West Bengal and the expenditure occurred thereon?

Answer

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

(a) No Madam.

(b) & (c) A study was conducted by CRRRI under the Ministry's research scheme R-54 for "Use of Rubber/ Polymer modified bitumen binder for road pavement". Road construction with Government and Private funding has increased manifolds under various road development programs of Central and State Governments. Under these programmes, different type of bitumen modifiers including rubber are used as per IRC guidelines. State wise length of the roads developed with rubberized bitumen modifier are not compiled.