

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

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FOUR LANING OF STATE HIGHWAYS

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

- (a) the total length of State highways and Major District Roads in the country;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to launch a massive schemes for four-laning of State highways connecting all the districts with State capitals;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the time-frame fixed by the Government in this regard and allocation of funds for this purpose;
- (d) whether the Government is considering private investment in this venture and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government proposes a special package for development of roads in tribal areas and if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI SARVEY SATHYANARAYANA)

(a) to (d) This Ministry is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs). The development and maintenance of State Roads are entrusted with the concerned State Governments.

As on 31st March, 2011, the total length of the State Highways (SHs) and other Public Works Department (PWD) roads in the country is 1,63,898 km and 10,05,327 km respectively.

(e) The development of NHs is taken up irrespective of caste, creed and religion. However, budget outlay of Rs. 500 crore has been provided under Tribal Sub-Plan (TSP) during 2012-13 under the scheme for development of roads in areas affected with Left Wing Extremism (LWE).