

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

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PER DAY TARGET OF ROAD CONSTRUCTION

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

- (a) whether the Government has set a target of building National Highway roads per day across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the National Highway roads constructed per day during the last three years and the current year;
- (c) whether the Government has been able to achieve this target during the said period;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Government to achieve the said target; and
- (e) whether the latest Geospatial technology is being used in the construction of roads and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) The targeted and completed length under various schemes including Special Accelerated Road Development Programme in North East (SARDP-NE) and Left Wing Extremism

(LWE) during the last three years and the current year are as under:-

Year	(length in kms)		
	Target	Achievement	Length constructed per day
2009-10	5830	5164	14.15
2010-11	5534	4334	11.87
2011-12	5824	5013	13.73
2012-13	6092	3857	12.60

Upto January
, 2013.

(d)The progress of construction of National Highways has been slow due to several problems such as land acquisition, shifting of utilities, environmental and forest clearance, approval for rail over bridges as well as shortage of skilled/semi-skilled manpower and economic slowdown. In order to expedite implementation of the Projects, Regional Offices have been set up by National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) headed by Chief General Manager. Powers have been delegated to the Chief General Manager who are involved in expediting forest / environmental clearances and monitor land acquisition matters as well as implementation of Projects. Special land acquisition units are also set up to expedite land acquisition. Chief Secretaries of State Government have also been nominated as Nodal officers to expedite Highway Projects. Projects are also closely and periodically reviewed at Headquarter as well as field units.

(e)Use of the latest technology including geospatial has started in highway sector. These technologies are used for planning, designing, construction, operation and maintenance.