

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3359  
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NARROW BRIDGES ON NATIONAL HIGHWAYS  
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**Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there exist several narrow bridges on various National Highways (NHs) in the Country causing traffic jam and accidents;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to widen these bridges to prevent road accidents on these narrow bridges?

**Answer**

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

- (a) & (b) Yes Madam. There are 989 narrow bridges on the various National Highways in the country, which are prone to traffic jam and accident.
- (c) Widening of existing narrow bridges is taken up by the Ministry in various Annual Plans subject to availability of funds and inter-se priority.