

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

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

- (a) whether the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has been able to bid out the highway projects as per the targets fixed for the April-June quarter of the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has fixed any target of construction of 1000 kms for National Highway (NH)-3 during the year; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the present status of developmental work on Nashik-Dhulia stretch of NH-3?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has been able to award only 339 kms against a target of 916 kms for the April-June quarter of the current year. The reasons for not meeting the target are poor response of bidders for BOT projects, non availability of equity with the Concessionaires, drop in traffic volume, delay in land acquisition, environmental / forest clearance, difficulty in raising debt / loans from financial institutions and economic slowdown.
- (c) No, Madam.
- (d) Four laning of Dhulia - Pimpalgaon section of National Highway (NH) No 3 has been completed and the scheduled date of completion of ongoing 6 laning work of Pimpalgaon - Nashik section of NH-3 is December, 2013.