

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

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WIDENING OF NATIONAL HIGHWAYS .

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

- (a) the policy being adopted by the Government for conversion of National Highways (NHs) of the country;
- (b) the details of the proposals received by the Government for conversion of NHs into two / four / six and eight-lane and approved during the last three years and the current year, State-wise including Bihar, Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh;
- (c) the State-wise details of the targets fixed by the Government in this regard and achievements made during the period along with the funds allocated and expenditure incurred thereon and the time-frame for these projects;
- (d) the State-wise details of the pending proposal/delayed projects, if any, along with the reasons therefor and the time by which the same are likely to be approved / cleared;
- (e) whether the Government has received any complaints regarding widening of NHs not being done as per prescribed standards; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof, State-wise along with the action taken thereon?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b) The widening of National Highways (NHs) is a continuous process and is taken up depending upon traffic requirement, availability of funds and inter-se priority. The State-wise details of the proposals received and approved for widening of NHs during the last three years and the current year are at Annexure-I. Besides, the NHs are also widened under other schemes such as National Highways Development Project (NHDP) programme, National Highways Interconnectivity Improvement Project (NHIP), etc.

(c) The targets for widening of roads have been fixed for the entire country under two categories, namely, two laning and four laning & above. The targets and achievements made during the last three years and the current year are given below.

2 laning    4 laning & above

Target (up to March, 2014)    3889.90 km    11323.75 km

Achievement (up to June, 2013)    2823.63 km    7768.00 km

The State-wise details of the expenditure made on all the plan works are attached at Annexure-II.

(d) The proposals for the works included in the Annual Plan are prepared by the State Governments and are sanctioned after their technical scrutiny within the financial year.

(e) & (f) The complaints as and when received are appropriately dealt as per the provisions of the contract agreement.