

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has received complaints regarding poor maintenance of National Highways (NHs) in the country particularly NH-4;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government thereon; and
- (c) the measures being adopted for speedy improvement of NHs in the country?

Answer

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

(a) and (b) Complaints regarding poor maintenance of National Highways, whenever received, are examined and action is taken as per extant policy and in accordance with the provisions of the contract agreements. The State-wise details of complaints regarding poor maintenance of National Highways (including NH-4) along with action taken by the Government are at Annexure-I.

(c) Periodic assessment of the condition of NHs is carried out by the executive agencies for taking up remedial measures keeping in view the type and extent of damages. Accordingly, the NHs in the country are being kept in traffic worthy condition from time to time within the available resources. Also, the Ministry has decided to engage independent experts i.e. National Project Monitors (NPMs) to assist Regional Officers in Project preparation, quality checks during implementation, check on services rendered by the concessionaires, advice measures for timely completion of projects and road safety issues.