

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

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RECONSTRUCTION OF RISHIKESH TEHRI NATIONAL HIGHWAY

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

- (a) whether the Rishikesh-Tehri National Highway has been damaged at various places due to recent natural calamity and rains in Uttarakhand;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has taken any action for repairing/ reconstruction of the said NH; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the amount sanctioned/allocated for the purpose?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) This Ministry is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways in the country, which is being carried out through implementing agencies like State PWD, Border Roads Originations (BRO) and National Highways Authority of India. Rishikesh-Tehri Section of National Highway No.-94 has been damaged at various places due to recent natural calamity and rains in Uttarakhand. Restoration works of roads/ bridges commenced immediately to restore the line of communication for light/heavy vehicles. The entire stretch of this National Highway has been opened for traffic on 21st June, 2013.

(c) This Ministry allocates fund for Normal Maintenance & Repair of National Highways for each State for each and every year based on availability of funds and length of National Highways in the State. For immediate restoration of damaged National Highways (Roads/Bridges) including the above mentioned National Highway in Uttarakhand an additional amount of Rs. 58.77 crore has been released.