

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

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MAINTENANCE OF ROADS AND BRIDGES ON NH-57
Mandal Shri Mangani Lal

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

- (a) whether certain stretches of roads and bridges on National Highway (NH)-57 between Muzaffarpur and Darbhanga in Bihar under the four-lane East-West Corridor have been damaged;
- (b) if so, the details thereof ;
- (c) whether the condition of the said roads and bridges on this NH is worsening due to lack of proper and regular maintenance and presence of some old bridges there; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government for the repair of these roads and bridges?

Answer

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

(a) & (d) There is no damage to the 4 lane carriageway of NH-57 between Muzaffarpur and Darbhanga in Bihar. However, few old bridges, which were rehabilitated along with development of East West Corridor, have suffered some damages like dislodging of expansion joint, depression of approach slab and damage to RCC railing. These are routine maintenance requirements and are not structural damages. Presently the National Highway is maintained in traffic worthy condition by National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) through Operation and Maintenance (O&M) contract.