

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

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NH PROJECTS UNDER PPP MODE

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

- (a) the details of the norms laid down for construction of National Highways (NHs) /Expressways in the country under Public-Private Partnership (PPP) mode;
- (b) the details of the NH projects taken up by the Government under the said mode during the last three years and the current year along with their present status, State- wise including Haryana;
- (c) the details of the cases wherein violations of the said norms have come to the notice of the Government during the period along with the action taken thereon;
- (d) whether the National Highways Authority of India has asked the Government to stop bidding out projects through PPP mode and recommended to award the same in the form of cash contracts; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor and the response of the Government thereto?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

- (a) The norms for construction of National Highways and the Expressways through Public Private Partnership (PPP) are laid down in the Manual for Specifications and Standards namely IRC:SP-73 for 2-laning projects, IRC:SP-84 for 4-laning projects, IRC:SP-87 for 6-laning projects and IRC:SP-99 for expressway projects published by the Indian Roads Congress.
- (b) The details of NH projects undertaken on PPP mode during the last three years are enclosed at Annexure-1.
- (c) Public Private Partnership projects are structured on Model Concession Agreement (MCA) wherein deviations on account of site exigency can be provisioned.
- (d) & (e) No, Madam. NHA has proposed to shift to EPC mode in some projects till market for Public Private Partnership improves. Government has taken a considered view that the projects which are considered non viable on BOT may be placed before Inter Ministerial Group (IMG) for implementation on EPC, subject to overall availability of resources.