

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2920
ANSWERED ON:10.02.2014
REPAIRING OF NH-29
Chauhan Shri Dara Singh

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

- (a) whether the National Highway No.29 from Varanasi to Gorakhpur is in extremely dilapidated condition;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government for its repairing;
- (c) whether any proposal for conversion of this National Highway into four-lane is pending with the Government; and
- (d) if so, the reasons for its pendency and the time by which the said proposal is likely to be cleared?

Answer

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

- (a) &(b) National Highway No.29 is in deteriorated condition mainly due to the plying of heavy traffic during the preceding rainy season. Repair works are already sanctioned and taken up.
- (c) &(d) Initially, NH-29 was proposed to be upgraded as two lane with paved shoulder, for which bids were invited twice. However, no bids were received on both the occasions. On the advise of Public Private Partnership Appraisal Committee, feasibility study has been taken up for four laning of the project and to ascertain its financial viability.