

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

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to widen stretches of different National Highways (NHs) from two to four lane, four to six lane and six to eight lane in various States including Bihar and Gujarat;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, NH-wise;
- (c) the details of the requests received from various State Governments to convert/widen lanes, State-wise and NH-wise, during the above period;
- (d) whether the Government has taken any action on the above requests; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI KAMAL NATH)

(a) to (e) Several requests are received from various State Governments from time to time to widen the existing National Highways. Projects for development of National Highways to 4/6/8 lanes are being taken up under National Highways Development Project (NHDP) based on traffic volume, connectivity of important towns/cities, inter se priority and viability of projects. State-wise and NH-wise details of projects under implementation and to be taken up in various phases of NHDP for 4/6/8 laning on different National Highways are given in the Annex which is laid on the Table of the House.