GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2010 ANSWERED ON:01.12.2009 FUNDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS Chowdhury Shri Adhir Ranjan

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to allocate funds for construction of roads including National Highways (NHs) to connect various tourist destinations in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and project-wise during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (c) whether the Government is aware of misuse of funds under this programme; if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether a committee has been constituted to check misuse of funds, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government for optimum utilisation of the said fund?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N.SINGH)

- (a) and (b) This Ministry is primarily responsible for the development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs) in the country. The development and maintenance of NHs are taken up depending upon availability of funds, traffic density and inter-se priority of works. This Ministry has no separate proposal for allocation of funds for construction of roads including NHs to connect various tourist destinations in the country.
- (c) to (e) Do not arise.