

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

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NATIONAL HIGHWAY NETWORK IN STATES BORDERING CHINA AND NEPAL

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

- (a) whether the Union Government proposes to expand and strengthen the existing National Highway network in States bordering China in view of their strategic importance;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the funds allocated/proposed to be allocated for this purpose, State-wise and project-wise;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has received any proposal to upgrade and broaden the National Highways in States bordering Nepal for impending connectivity;
- (e) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and project-wise including Uttar Pradesh; and
- (f) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard alongwith the time by which the work in this regard is likely to be commenced/completed?

Answer

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

- (a): Development & upkeep of National Highways, including those located in States bordering China is a continuous process and works are being taken up for their expansion and strengthening from time to time depending upon necessity and availability of funds. However, no specific plan has been drawn to expand and strengthen the existing National Highway network in states bordering China.
- (b) & (c): Does not arise.
- (d): Yes, Sir.
- (e) & (f): Details state-wise and project-wise is enclosed in Annexure I.