

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

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TRAFFIC CONGESTION ON NHS IN ORISSA
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether National Highway in Bani Vihar, CRP Chakka and Khandgiri crossing in Orissa is an accident prone area;
- (b) if so, whether the Government proposes to construct flyovers on the National Highways in Orissa to decongest traffic and avoid fatal accidents;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, stretch-wise alongwith the reasons for not commencing the work on Bani Vihar, CRP Chakka and Khandgiri stretch;
- (d) the funds sanctioned and released therefor; and
- (e) the time by which the construction work is likely to be commence and completed?

Answer

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

(a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Yes, Sir. Flyovers are proposed to be constructed in Orissa at Fire Station Chawk, CRPF Chawk, Aharya Vihar, Rasulgarh, Phulnakhara, Jagatpur and Manguli Chawk interchange. Construction of flyovers at these locations in Bhubaneswar-Chandikhole section are included in the project of six laning under National Highway Development Project Phase-V on Design Built Finance and Operate (DBFO) basis. Only two bids were received and the lowest bidder had quoted grant of 36.97% of the total project cost as against the 10% Viability Gap Fund (VGF) limit approved by the Government.

(e) It is too early to indicate the date of commencement. The work after award will take about 36 months to be completed including 6 months allowed for financial closure.