

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

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

- (a) the present status of project Shivalik;
- (b) the funds allocated during the last three years;
- (c) whether the Government has any plan to withdraw the Border Roads Organization from maintenance of National Highways in Garhwal; and
- (d) if so, the reasons and background for the decision?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI KRISHANPAL GURJAR)

- (a) & (b) This Ministry is primarily responsible for the development and maintenance of National Highways in the country through its implementing agencies. The Border Roads Organization (BRO) is one of the implementing agencies of this Ministry in Uttarakhand and the Project Shivalik is responsible for construction, improvement and maintenance of 648 Km of National Highways in Garhwal Region of Uttarakhand. This Ministry makes the allocation of funds to BRO for National Highways not Project or State-wise but on all India basis.
- (c) & (d) To ensure that Border Roads Organization (BRO) may concentrate for development & maintenance of high altitude with strategic importance roads in border areas, the process of transfer of some National Highways including Rishikesh to Rudraprayag section of NH-58 and Rudraprayag to Garurikund section of NH-109 of Garhwal Region from BRO to State PWD of Uttarakhand has been initiated.