

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

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NEW TECHNOLOGY IN NH

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

- (a) the details of the highway projects being undertaken by the Government in collaboration with foreign governments and the status of each of these projects;
- (b) whether there has been any delay in India-Myanmar-Thailand trilateral highway project;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken thereon;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to introduce new technology and material for timely completion of road projects in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details and status thereof along with the norms laid down by the Government for introduction of new technology and material in the road building sectors and the sectors selected for using the new technology?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

- (a) No highway project is being undertaken by the Government in collaboration with foreign governments.
- (b) & (c) Some stretches of the India-Myanmar-Thailand trilateral highway in Myanmar are being implemented by Ministry of External Affairs (MEA). The Feasibility Reports of 69 Bridges and Approach Roads on the Tamu-Kyigone-Kalewa Section of the Trilateral Highway have been prepared and pre-project activities for these and other stretches of the road project in Myanmar are at various stages for award of work. Planning and coordination with the Government of Myanmar and close monitoring of the project related activities have been intensified by MEA for the timely completion of the Projects.
- (d) Yes, Madam.
- (e) To encourage use of new /alternative materials /technologies, a process of accreditation has been initiated and guidelines for the use of new materials /technologies from time to time have been issued. It has been decided that the new technologies proven in India or abroad shall be deemed to be adopted in the highway sector subject to the condition that the developers/promoters of new/alternative materials /technologies shall have to provide the standards & specifications and certified performance reports from the user agencies of major developed countries where the proposed materials/techniques have been successfully used, to the executing agency, to establish their suitability for adoption and the developers/promoters shall strive to establish permanent base in India and show long term commitment to the goal of innovative infrastructure development in India.