

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

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FUNDS FROM JAPAN FOR ROAD PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to seek investments from Japan for road projects in India;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government also proposes to invest foreign pension funds in infrastructure financing at reduced interest rates; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (d) As of now, 100% Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) is permitted in Highways Sector. Sustained efforts are being made to encourage investment of foreign funds, including from Japan, in the road sector. This is with a view to both increase investments as also to reduce the cost of finance in the Highway Sector.