

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2653  
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RESTRUCTURING OF NHA  
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**Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the need for many changes in the National Highways Authority of India (NHA) has been observed during the recent review/survey of various National Highway projects by the Government, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to restructure NHA and implement pending tenders and construction works within stipulated time-frame; and
- (c) if so, the State/UT-wise details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c) No such proposal to restructure the National Highways Authority of India (NHA) to implement pending tenders and construction works within stipulated time-frame is under consideration of the Government. However a Committee has recently been set up to study and suggest mechanism to revamp NHA. Ministry of Road Transport & Highways and NHA have taken a number of steps for speedy and timely completion of highway projects including streamlining of the process of land acquisition and other statutory clearances, harmonious substitution of Concessionaire, re-schedulement of Premium quoted by concessionaires, getting Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to treat road sector loans as secured, introduction of revamped dispute resolution mechanism and close coordination with other ministries etc. Apart from these steps, Government is also considering other variants of Public-Private Partnership (PPP) mode to attract bidders.