

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:436

ANSWERED ON:23.04.2015

FACILITIES ON NHS

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

- (a) the details of the facilities available for commuters on the National Highways in the country;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to plan a roadmap for comfortable road trips for commuters on highways by providing facilities like food courts, ATMs, child care facilities;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of facilities to be created/ built up and the estimated funds likely to be incurred for the purpose; and
- (e) the time by which these facilities are likely to be established?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 436 FOR ANSWER ON 23.04.2015 ASKED BY DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT AND SHRI RAM CHARITRA NISHAD REGARDING FACILITIES ON NHS.

(a) Facilities such as restaurant/food court, low cost dhaba, telephone booth/ Automated Teller Machine (ATM), fuel station & minor repair shop, toilets, rest rooms for short-stay, kiosk for sale of miscellaneous sundry items etc. are available for commuters on National Highways (NHs).

(b) to (e) Government intends to provide facilities such as separate parking for cars, buses & trucks, restaurant/food court, low cost dhaba, telephone booth/ATM, fuel station & minor repair shop, rest rooms for short-stay, clean toilets, landscaping, kiosk for sale of miscellaneous sundry items, space for spreading Government welfare programme in a systematic and planned manner by setting up user-friendly wayside amenities along NHs. Wayside amenities now form part of major highway improvement projects. Beside, National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) has identified nearly 70 sites for setting up these facilities. A Project Management Consultant (PMC) has been appointed to assist in overall implementation of the project and to engage specialized firms for developing and operating these facilities. Further, Ministry of Road Transport & Highways grant access permission to the retail outlets located along with the NHs. As per the licence agreement signed as part of granting such access permission, it is mandatory for retail outlets to provide toilet and drinking water facilities.