GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:571 ANSWERED ON:23.07.2015 NH in Tribal Areas Pandey Dr. Mahendra Nath

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

- (a) the details of the National Highways in Tribal areas as on date, State-wise;
- (b) the details of funds allocated by the Union Government to the States for maintenance and improvement of National Highways in tribal areas during the last three years, State-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to improve the condition of roads in tribal areas?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) to (c) The development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs) are not taken up on the basis of demographic or regional patterns in the country and this Ministry gives priority for the same in the entire country and as such the details of NHs situated in the tribal areas are not maintained. The development and maintenance of NHs is a continuous process and works are, accordingly, taken up from time to time depending upon requirement of connectivity, inter-se-priority and availability of funds. However, this Ministry has taken up a program to develop roads (NH and State Roads) in Left Wing Extremist (LWE) affected areas, which also includes development of such roads in the States of Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh under Tribal Sub Plan (TSP). The details of funds allocated under TSP during last three years are given below:-

(Amount in Rs. crore) SI. No. State 2012-13 2013-14 2014-15 1. Chhattisgarh 270.00 173.00 245.00 2. Jharkhand 230.00 187.00 155.00
