GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2331 ANSWERED ON:24.07.2014 . FOUR LANING OF NH Singh Shri Ravneet

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

- (a) the length of National Highways in the country and the method of their maintenance, State-wise;
- (b) the length of each National Highway in Punjab and National Highway-wise length of roads which are in a poor condition as compared to the standards of maintenance;
- (c) the measures taken to improve them upto the standard level;
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to expedite the four-laning of Ludhiana by-pass / NH-95 Road in Punjab; and
- (e) the reasons for the delay in completion of the project?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI KRISHANPAL GURJAR)

- (a): Total length of National Highways (NHs) in the country is 94,567.00 km and State-wise details regarding NH length are enclosed at Annexure-I. This Ministry is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of NHs through implementing agencies like State Public Works Departments (PWDs), Border Roads Organisation (BRO) and National Highways Authority of India (NHAI).
- (b) & (c): The stretches of NHs passing through the State of Punjab are generally in traffic worthy condition. The details regarding length of each NH in the State of Punjab are enclosed at Annexure-II.
- & (e): Project of 6-laning of NH-95 (Old) from Chandigarh to Ludhiana and improvement of road section passing through the Ludhiana Town has been identified for its implementation under National Highways Development Project (NHDP) Scheme by NHAI. Project of 4-laning of Ludhiana- Talwandi section of NH-95 (Old) has already been undertaken by NHAI under NHDP Scheme.