

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

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Wayside Facilities on NHs
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the wayside amenities available for commuters along with the National Highways;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to provide/develop additional wayside amenities/facilities on National Highways; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof including the sites identified for the purpose along with the action taken thereon?

Answer

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

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(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) and (c) 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 Highways 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 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.
