

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

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ROAD PROJECTS

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

- (a) whether the responsibility of construction of National Highways road routes in the country has been entrusted to the National Highways Authority of India;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of road projects cleared from May 2009-10 to May, 2014 along with the total length of roads constructed during the said period;
- (d) the present status of pending proposals of road projects in the country, State-wise; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to expedite the pending road projects?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) National Highways Authority of India (NHA) is responsible for development, maintenance and management of National Highways (NH) entrusted to them by the Government and for matters connected or incidental thereto. Details of projects awarded and completed since 2009-2010 is as follows:

Year	No. of projects awarded	Awarded Length (In Km.)	Completed Length (In Km.)
2009-10	39	3379.16	2694.00
2010-11	50	5082.84	1784.00
2011-12	47	6491.00	2248.00
2012-13	11	1115.75	2844.00
2013-14	17	1435.84	1901.00
2014-15	(upto 08 June 2014)	797.13	361.15

(d) NHA is also mandated to implement National Highways Development Project (NHDP) which is India's largest ever Highways Project in a phased manner. The overall status of NHDP as on 30th June 2014 is as follows:

NHDP Phases	Description	Total Length in km	Length Completed in km	Length To be Completed under awarded
I	GQ, NS-EW corridors, Port connectivity & others	7,522	7518	4 -
II	4/6-laning North South-East West Corridor, Others	6,647	5791	486 370
III	Upgradation, 4/6-laning	12,109	6214	4210 1685
IV	2 - laning with paved	20,000	610	5246 8943

shoulders
V 6-laning of 6,500 1868 2212 2420
GQ and High
density
corridor
VI Expressways 1000 NIL NIL 1000
VII Ring Roads, 700 km 22 20 659
Bypasses and of ring
flyovers and roads/
other bypass+
structures flyovers

(e) Ministry of Road Transport & Highways and NHAI have taken a number of steps for speedy completion of NH projects including streamlining of process of land acquisition and other statutory clearances, securitisation of road sector loans, introduction of revamped dispute resolution mechanism and close coordination with other ministries etc. Ministry of Environment & Forests (MoEF) has also de-linked the grant of Environment Clearance from the Forest Clearance for linear projects and treated the strengthening and widening of NH projects differently from the new projects and allowed the construction of the NH in the Non-Forest areas. Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has also advised all scheduled commercial banks to treat road sector debt as secured within the limits of 90 % of debt due enabling banks to allocate a larger portion of lending to road sector and also to reduce the cost thereon. Concessionaires/developers have also been allowed for harmonious substitution and re-schedulement of Premium quoted by them.