

to invest about 500 crores for making NH No. 2 and 5 into four lanes;

(b) whether the Government have accepted the offer;

(c) if so, whether any survey has been conducted for making these National Highways running in Bihar into four lanes; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the construction work is likely to be started?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN): (a) to (d) Following projects for four laning of sections of National Highways No. 2 and 5 are under implementation with loan assistance from Asian Development Bank.

S. No.	Name of Work	Project Cost (Rs. Crore)
1.	Four laning including strengthening of existing 2 lane Pavement from Raniganj (Km. 474) to Panagarh (Km 515.236) section of NH-2 in West Bengal.	186.25
2.	Four laning including strengthening of existing 2 lane pavement from Barwa Adda (Km. 398.75) to Barakar (Km. 441.94) section of NH-2 in Bihar.	150.67
3.	Strengthening of Vijayawada (Km. 3.4) to Eluru (Km. 75.0) section including 4-laning from Km. 3.4 to Km. 13.0 and construction of a bypass for Eluru Town, on NH 5 in Andhra Pradesh.	171.60
Total		508.52

All survey works and detailed designs of the project in Bihar have been completed and construction has already been started.

Telephone Exchanges and Telephone Connections in Assam

3790. SHRI A.F. GOLAM OSMANI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of telephone exchanges working in Assam at present with the capacity of each exchange, district-wise;

(b) the number of persons on the waiting list of telephone connections in Assam, district-wise;

(c) the number of telephone connections allotted during the last three years till date; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government for the speedy allotment of telephone connections?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI KABINDRA PURKAYASTHA): (a) The details are given in the attached Statement-I.

(b) The details are given in the attached Statement-II.

(c) The number of telephone connections allotted during the last three years till date is as under:

1995-96	20,200
1996-97	18,000
1997-98	36,500
1998-99 (till date)	3,342

(d) Waiting list as on 1-4-98 is 20795. Keeping in view the anticipated waiting list growth during the year, it is planned to provide 50,000 new connections during the year. With this the waiting period is likely to get reduced to less than 6 months in the whole Circle.

Statement-I

District-wise list of telephone exchanges along with their capacity working in Assam.

Bangaigaon District

Sl. No.	Name of Exchange	Capacity
1	2	3
1.	Abhayapuri	528
2.	Bijni	368
3.	Bongaigaon	1528
4.	Bangaigaon	400
5.	Chapar	96
6.	Dhaligaon	1528
7.	Manikpur	88

Dhubri District

1.	Agomoni	152
2.	Bilashipara	424
3.	Bogribari	88
4.	Dhubri	1656
5.	Dhubri	172
6.	Gauripur	528
7.	Gulakganj	192
8.	Hatsinghimar	88

1	2	3	1	2	3
9.	Mankachar	240	3.	Gopalpara	504
10.	Sapatgram	184	4.	Gopalpara	384
11.	Tamarhat	80	5.	Jogiphopa	160
Barpeta District			6.	Krishnai	184
1.	Baghmara	184	7.	Iakhipur	176
2.	Barpeta RD	1656	Sonitpur District		
3.	Barpewta	736	1.	B. Chariali	1528
4.	Howly	200	2.	Balipara	264
5.	Kalgachia	88	3.	Bediti	88
6.	Patacharkuch	88	4.	Borgong	168
7.	Pathsala	432	5.	Dhekiajuli	200
8.	Sarthebari	56	6.	Dhekiajuli	352
9.	Sarupeta	152	7.	Dholaibil	88
10.	Sorbhog	264	8.	Gahigaon	224
11.	Tarabarihat	88	9.	Gohpur	96
Kokrajhar District			10.	Goraimari	336
1.	Basugaon	184	11.	Itakhola	88
2.	Bengtol	88	12.	Jamuguri	264
3.	Dotma	56	13.	Missamari	272
4.	Fakiragram	88	14.	Monabug	56
5.	Gossaigaon	280	15.	Napam	88
6.	Kokrajhar	1000	16.	Pavoicharali	88
7.	Salakati	56	17.	Rangachakua	88
Nalbari District			18.	Rangapara	384
1.	Barama	152	19.	Rangapara	264
2.	Belsore	184	20.	Singri	88
3.	Chamata	88	21.	Sootia	384
4.	Kalag	192	22.	Tezpur	1912
5.	Marowa	184	23.	Tezpur	3000
6.	Mukalmua	96	24.	Tezpur	360
7.	Nalbari	1656	25.	Thelamara	88
8.	Tihu	272	Kumrup District		
Gopalpara District			1.	Amingaon	328
1.	Dhupdhara	160	2.	Balhata	184
2.	Dudnoi	208	3.	Bijoynagar	384

1	2	3	1	2	3
4.	Boko	184	8.	Nakachari	344
5.	Borihat	88	9.	Namta	184
6.	Borjhar	800	10.	Teok	336
7.	Chandrapur	88	11.	Tilikium	336
8.	Chaygaon	176	12.	Titabar	368
9.	Dadara	88	Golaghat District		
10.	Darranga	88	1.	Badulipar	184
11.	Gh-Adabari	3000	2.	Barpathar	272
12.	Gh-Dispur	10000	3.	Bokakhat	1000
13.	Gh-Dispur	2000	4.	Borjan	152
14.	Gh-Kalapahar	3000	5.	Dergaon	1000
15.	Gh-Noonmati	4000	6.	Farkating	184
16.	Gh-Panbazar	4000	7.	Golaghat	1680
17.	Gh-Pahabazar	20000	8.	Kaziranga	152
18.	Gh-Ulubari	6000	9.	Khumtai	88
19.	Gh-Ulubari	3000	10.	Murphulani	152
20.	Goreswar	88	11.	NRL	184
21.	Hajo	152	12.	Numaligarh	184
22.	Jorabat	328	13.	Sarupathar	336
23.	Kamalpur	88	14.	Uriamghat	152
24.	Khetri	184	Sibsagar District		
25.	Mirza	152	1.	Demow	336
26.	Panikheti	88	2.	Gaurisagar	184
27.	Rangia	760	3.	J. Jamuguri	152
28.	Sonapur	352	4.	Khanikargaon	152
29.	Sualkuchi	256	5.	Lakwa	152
30.	Tamulpur	88	6.	Maibela	88
Jorhat District			7.	Nazira	520
1.	Amguri	336	8.	Nazira	384
2.	Borholla	184	9.	Sapekhati	200
3.	Garmur	184	10.	Sepon	152
4.	Jorhat	10000	11.	Sibsagar	4000
5.	Kakojan	152	12.	Sonari	1000
6.	Kamalabari	336	Cachar District		
7.	Mariani	1384	1.	Arunachal	192

1	2	3	1	2	3
2.	Baskandi	160	6.	Manipur Baga	88
3.	Beharabazar	184	7.	Monacherra	88
4.	Borjatrapur	88	Karimganj District		
5.	Borkhola	38	1.	Badarpur	704
6.	Damcherra	56	2.	Baraigram	88
7.	Dewan	152	3.	Bazarghat	88
8.	Dholaibazar	184	4.	Bazarichera	88
9.	Duarband	192	5.	Bhangabazar	272
10.	Fakirabazar	184	6.	Dullavcherra	192
11.	Jirighat	88	7.	Kalgank BA	88
12.	Kalain	88	8.	Karimganj	3576
13.	Kashipur	152	9.	Kotamonibazar	88
14.	Kumbha	160	10.	Mahisasan	88
15.	Lakhipur	368	11.	Nilambazar	272
16.	Madhuramukh	88	12.	Patharkandi	280
17.	Moti Nagar	88	13.	R.K. Nagar	152
18.	Natunbazar	192	Nagaon District		
19.	Palongghat	56	1.	Ambagan	152
20.	Pollapool	152	2.	Barapujia	152
21.	Rajabazar	96	3.	Bebeja	184
22.	Rajnagar	88	4.	Borkula	96
23.	Salchpra	88	5.	Buragaon	184
24.	Salganga	152	6.	Choudhurybazar	152
25.	Silchar	9000	7.	Dhing	184
26.	Silchar	2000	8.	Doboka	336
27.	Sonabarighat	192	9.	Hojai	1784
28.	Sonalmukh	192	10.	Jajori	152
29.	Srikona	152	11.	Jakhalabandh	336
30.	Udharbond	760	12.	Jamunamukh	192
Hailakandi District			13.	Jogljjan	200
1.	Algapur	88	14.	Juria	88
2.	Hailakandi	1512	15.	Kaki	88
3.	Jalalpur	152	16.	Kampur	184
4.	Katlichera	152	17.	Khatkhati	184
5.	Lala	760	18.	Korcheng	96

1	2	3	1	2	3
19.	Kothiatoli	152	3.	Lahori Ghat	88
20.	Kuwarital	184	4.	Marigaon	1000
21.	Lanka	584	5.	Moirabari	184
22.	Lumding	432	6.	Nellie	88
23.	Morajhar	216	Dibrugarh District		
24.	Nagaon	1817	1.	Bamunhari	56
25.	Nagaon	4000	2.	Barbarua	184
26.	Nilbagan	96	3.	Chabua	368
27.	Puranigudam	184	4.	Dibrugarh	1756
28.	Raha	280	5.	Dibrugarh	4000
29.	Rupahi	192	6.	Dikon	184
30.	S. Dev Nagar	184	7.	Dinjan	264
31.	Salona	56	8.	Dr-University	336
32.	Samaguri	192	9.	Dullajan	1528
33.	Uriagaon	152	10.	Dulljan	184
Karbi Anglong District			11.	Ghoramara	184
1.	Bukulia	96	12.	Jaipur	152
2.	Bokajan	152	13.	Khowang	152
3.	Diphu	652	14.	Kutuha	88
4.	Diphu	200	15.	Lahoal	160
5.	Donkamokum	88	16.	Mohanbari	184
6.	Hamren	88	17.	Moranhat	1000
7.	Howraghat	184	18.	Naharkatia	1000
8.	Kheroni	152	19.	Rajgarh	184
9.	Manja	184	20.	Sasoni	152
N.C. Hills District			21.	Tengakhat	264
1.	Haflong	1400	Lakhimpur District		
2.	Harangajao	88	1.	Bihupuria	368
3.	Langting	56	2.	Dhakukhana	272
4.	Mahur	88	3.	Dikrong	184
5.	Maibong	88	4.	Ghulamara	88
6.	Umrangshu	192	5.	Gogamukh	184
Morigaon District			6.	Laluk	184
1.	Jagiroad	512	7.	N. Lakhimpur	1784
2.	Jagiroad	184	8.	N. Lakhimpur	1396
			9.	Panigaon	88

1	2	3
Tinsukai District		
1.	Borhapan	184
2.	Chapakhowa	336
3.	Digboi	1400
4.	Doomdooma	1144
5.	Guijan	152
6.	Hoogrijan	336
7.	Jagun	184
8.	Kakapathar	152
9.	Kothalguri	152
10.	Ledo	336
11.	Lakhapani	152
12.	Makum	384
13.	Magherita	1144
14.	Nepco. Kothal	240
15.	Panitola	264
16.	Phillobari	152
17.	Salkhowaghat	152
18.	Talap	152
19.	Ting Khong	96
20.	Tinsukia	7000
21.	Tinsukia	3000
Dhemaji District		
1.	Dhemaji	768
2.	Jonai	272
3.	Machkhowa	88
4.	Silpathar	384
Darrang District		
1.	Bhootiachung	88
2.	Deomornoigaon	56
3.	Dolgaon	88
4.	Harishigha	184
5.	Kalaigaon	56
6.	Khairabari	56
7.	Kharupetia	696
8.	Manaldi	1144
9.	Mazbat	88

1	2	3
10.	Namrup	728
11.	Orang	56
12.	Rowta	88
13.	Sarabari	88
14.	Sipajhar	88
15.	Tangla	360
16.	Udalguri	384

Statement-II

District-wise number of persons on the waiting list for telephone connections in Assam

1	2	3
1.	Bongaigaon	822
2.	Dhubri	570
3.	Barpeta	561
4.	Kokrajhar	247
5.	Nalbari	28
6.	Goalpara	136
7.	Sonitpur	975
8.	Kamrup	3892
9.	Jorhat	1019
10.	Golaghat	514
11.	Sibsagar	816
12.	Cachar	2689
13.	Hailakandi	517
14.	Karimganj	1849
15.	Nagaon	1628
16.	Karbi Anglong	377
17.	N.C. Hills	333
18.	Morigaon	121
19.	Dibrugarh	1785
20.	Lakhimpur	314
21.	Tinsukia	1141
22.	Dhemaji	44
23.	Darrang	417
		20795