

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1042
ANSWERED ON 27TH JUNE, 2019

TARGET CONSTRUCTION OF NH's

1042. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:

SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

SHRIMATI RANJAN BEN DHANANJAY BHATT:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to construct 60,000 Km. of National Highways and double the length of these roads by 2022;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has constituted any policy regarding land acquisition which is the biggest hurdle for delay in a number of National Highway projects and if so, the details thereof and the salient features of the said policy;
- (c) whether the Government is focusing to expedite some of its flagship road projects such as Bharatmala and Sagarmala and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this regard; and
- (d) the targets for NH construction achieved by the Government till date?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

- (a) Government of India has approved Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase-I for development of Highway stretches with an aggregate length of about 34,800 km, which is targeted for completion by 2021-22. In addition to this, road stretches with total length 48,877 km (approximately) have also been envisaged for development.

- (b) The Ministry of Road Transport & Highways has evolved a manual of guidelines on land acquisition for National Highways which include comprehensive policy guidelines regarding applicability of Right to Fair Compensation in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013 (RFCTLARR Act, 2013) to the National Highways Act, 1956, determination of market value of land, multiplication factor, purchase of land through consent of land owners, acquisition of land for missing plot, administrative charges for land acquisition for National Highway projects etc.
- (c) The Sagarmala programme is within the purview of Ministry of Shipping. However, Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase-I is dealt with by Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, which includes development of port connectivity routes. The progress of projects under this programme is monitored electronically for ensuring expeditious completion of these projects.
- (d) The details of total length of highway stretches constructed for the past five years is as under:

Year	Length of highway stretches constructed during last 5 years (km)
2014-15	4,410
2015-16	6,061
2016-17	8,231
2017-18	9,829
2018-19	10,855
Total	39,386
