

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO-114
ANSWERED ON – 27/07/2022

LONGEST BITUMINOUS ROAD IN MAHARASHTRA

*114. SHRI DHANANJAY BHIMRAO MAHADIK:

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

- (a) whether Government has set a Guinness World Record by building the longest continuous stretch of bituminous concrete road in Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps being taken by Government to popularize the infrastructure created during the last three years globally?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

- (a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 114 ANSWERED ON 27TH JULY, 2022 ASKED BY SHRI DHANANJAY BHIMRAO MAHADIK REGARDING **‘LONGEST BITUMINOUS ROAD IN MAHARASHTRA’**.

(a) & (b) Guinness World Record has been set by laying a continuous stretch of 42.200 Km (2 lane with paved shoulder) with Bituminous Concrete (BC) in the stretch of Amravati-Chikhali Package-I of 54 km length with contract amount of Rs. 707 crore. The Concessionaire of the stretch M/s Rajpath Infracon NH-6 Pkg-I Pvt. Ltd informed about its intention to attempt for laying continuous stretch of Bituminous Concrete (40mm) with single paver vide letter dated 20.05.2022. The attempt was commenced on 03.06.2022 at 7:27 AM and the task was completed on 07.06.2022 at 9:32 PM. It took about 110 hours to accomplish the task. The manpower involved was 720 workers including engineers, supervisors, and surveyors.

The team of Guinness book of World Record witnessed the construction in 3 shifts. Continuous videography was covered by the team. After achieving the task, the adjudicator measured the length and issued a certificate on the spot.

(c) Various initiatives that have been taken for the development of world class infrastructure have been popularized by using the medium of social media. Live streaming of various events, videos/photos related to new projects, blogs and information of public interest have constantly been made available in the public domain that are accessible to both national and international audiences. Verified social media accounts of the Ministry of RT&H and NHAI such as Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, YouTube have covered a variety of topics ranging from the record pace of construction, completed and ongoing projects, environment sustainability and road safety.
