# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS RAJYA SABHA

## **STARRED QUESTION NO-113**

ANSWERED ON-13/12/2023

#### **BRIDGE OVER RIVER GANGA**

### 113. SMT. MAHUA MAJI:

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

- (a) whether Government has received a proposal from the State Government of Jharkhand for construction of a 4- lane high level bridge over river Ganga between Rajmahal (Jharkhand) and Manik Chak (West Bengal) for facilitating economic growth of the region and providing connectivity between Jharkhand and West Bengal; and
- (b) if so, the details of action taken and timeline to sanction the proposed 4-lane High Level Bridge?

#### **ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (b) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 113 ANSWERED ON 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2023 ASKED BY SMT. MAHUA MAJI REGARDING 'BRIDGE OVER RIVER GANGA'

(a) and (b) This Ministry is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways. The aforesaid bridge is located on State Highways under the jurisdiction of State Government and therefore this Ministry has no plan to construct bridge over river Ganga Rajmahal (Jharkhand) and Manik Chak (West Bengal). However, this Ministry keeps on receiving proposals from various State Governments / Union Territories (UTs), for declaration / upgradation of State roads, including SHs, as new NHs. Decisions are taken based on the fulfilment of the criteria, requirement of connectivity, inter-se priority and availability of funds etc.

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