

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-210**  
ANSWERED ON-27/11/2024

**NATIONAL HIGHWAY PROJECs IN THE NORTHEASTERN STATES**

210. SMT. RANJEET RANJAN:

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

- (a) the status of the 98 National Highway projects in the Northeastern States of Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur, and Tripura, including the number of projects completed, under construction, and yet to commence;
- (b) the total estimated investment for these projects and the allocation of funds across the four States;
- (c) whether Government has established specific deadlines for the completion of these highway projects, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken to address challenges and prevent delays in executing these projects in Northeastern regions?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) and (b) The State-wise details of National Highway (NH) Projects (under construction, completed during 2024-25, approved but yet to be commenced) in the States of Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur, and Tripura are as under:

Sl. No.	Name of State	Details of under construction Projects			Details of Projects completed during 2024-25			Details of Projects approved but yet to be commenced		
		No.	Length (km)	Cost (Rs in Cr)	No.	Length (km)	Cost (Rs in Cr)	No.	Length (km)	Cost (Rs in Cr)
1	Arunachal Pradesh	33	604	7828	3	53	471	35	1238	27344
2	Nagaland	34	713	9502	1	23	365	0	0	0
3	Manipur	35	753	10355	3	26	188	5	115	1717
4	Tripura	16	302	7098	1	9	5	1	36	727
	<b>Total</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>2372</b>	<b>34783</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>1029</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>1389</b>	<b>29788</b>

Funds are not allocated project-wise but State-wise to meet the expenses for under construction works, completed works and approved but yet to commence NH projects. The funds allocated for development and maintenance works on National Highways in the State of Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur, and Tripura during 2024-25 are as below:

Sl. No.	State	Allocation (Rs in cr)
1	Arunachal Pradesh	2,287
2	Nagaland	734
3	Manipur	1,097
4	Tripura	406

(c) Completion of NH projects are dependent upon availability of encumbrance free land, forest clearance, environment clearance, utility shifting, working season, contractor's financial position, etc. All the under construction NH projects in the State of Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur and Tripura are scheduled to be completed by 2027.

(d) The steps taken to address challenges and prevent delays in executing NH projects in north eastern region include the following:

(i) Streamlining of land acquisition

(ii) Disputes Resolution mechanism revamped

(iii) Award of projects after adequate preparation in terms of land acquisition, clearances, etc.

(iv) Correctly worked out utility estimates is to be obtained at the earliest after the alignment finalization and shall form part of appraisal proposal.

(v) Close coordination with other Ministries and State Governments

(vi) Regular review at various levels

(vii) Expediting approval of Change of Scope and Extension of Time proposals

(viii) Network Planning Group appraisal before sanction of works so that other Departments/ Ministries can flag their issues with the project regarding clearances beforehand and solution can be worked out in advance

(ix) Due provisions of protection works in inaccessible and challenging terrain are kept in Detailed Project Report.

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