

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO - 2659
ANSWERED ON 18/12/2024

ROAD PROJECTS IN MAHARASHTRA

2659. SHRI ASHOKRAO SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:

Will the MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the ongoing road construction projects in Maharashtra, region-wise;
- (b) the current allocation and disbursement of funds for road infrastructure development in the State, region-wise;
- (c) the details of mechanism to ensure the equitable distribution of road construction across different regions of Maharashtra;
- (d) the details of the key road connectivity goals and priorities outlined for Maharashtra; and
- (e) the steps taken by Government to address challenges such as land acquisition, environmental concerns and community engagement in road project in Maharashtra?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (c) Government sanctions works for development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs) based on traffic requirements, inter-se priority and overall availability of funds. Funds are allocated for NH works in a State and not region-wise. The details of ongoing NH projects, allocation and expenditure in the State of Maharashtra are as under:

Ongoing projects			Allocation FY 2024-2025 (Rs. in crore)	Expenditure FY 2024-25 Till 31.10.2024 (Rs. in crore)
No.	Length (km)	Cost (Rs. in crore)		
146	3,750	78,061	11,887	10,504

(d) The construction of NHs in the State of Maharashtra will ensure smooth flow of traffic with better connectivity boosting the overall economic growth of the State. This will also ensure reduction in the travel time and vehicle operating cost with increased safety of the road users.

(e) Public consultations are held at the time of NH alignment finalization to address various issues that affect project implementation including land acquisition, environmental issues, community concerns, etc. Progress of projects is monitored through advanced digital platforms such as Project Monitoring Information System (PMIS) and Data Lake, Bhoomi Rashi portal (for Land Acquisition). Periodic reviews are held at various levels with all stakeholders including officers of executing agencies, State Government to resolve these issues and ensure timely implementation of projects.