# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1548

ANSWERED ON-12/03/2025

# EXPRESSWAY PROJECTS IN ODISHA

#### 1548. SHRI DEBASHISH SAMANTARAY:

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

- (a) whether Government has any plan to develop expressways in Odisha;
- (b) the details of any expressway projects currently under planning or construction in Odisha;
- (c) whether there is a proposal to develop an expressway connecting Bhubaneswar with key industrial and port cities of Odisha; and
- (d) the estimated timeline and funding for expressway development in Odisha?

### **ANSWER**

# THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

# (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (d) Development of National Highways (NH) is a continuous process. Ministry keeps on receiving/assessing proposals for declaration/up-gradation/development of NHs/Expressways. Decisions are taken based on the fulfillment of the criteria, requirement of connectivity, inter-se priority and synergy with PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan.

For the development of 241 km length of Raipur-Vishakhapatnam Access Controlled Highway in Odisha an amount of Rs.9540 crore has been sanctioned. In addition, 6 lane Access Controlled Greenfield Capital Region Ring Road of length 111 km bypassing three cities of Khurda, Bhubaneswar & Cuttack in the State of Odisha amounting to Rs.6935 crore is under consideration.

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