

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3893
ANSWERED ON 8TH DECEMBER, 2016

EXECUTION OF NH PROJECTS

3893. SHRI V. PANNEERSELVAM:
SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:
SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:
SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:
SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
सडक परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has found any complaints/anomalies in the execution of National Highway Projects running across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details regarding safety measures taken/being taken, NH-wise and State-wise and their impact in this regard; and
- (d) the details of the roads connected with Highways during the last three years, State-wise?

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)

(a) to (b) Some complaints regarding quality of execution have been received and their details are annexed. Quality checking of materials/testing is being conducted by the Quality Assurance Team of NHAI and by the respective Engineer of the Project for ensuring quality of material used in construction work as per IRC Guidelines and Quality Assurance Manual. Besides, as per Concession/Contract Agreement, Independent Engineer/Authority Engineer of the respective Packages review the quality of construction of Highways. Some of the National Highways projects work is affected mainly due to land acquisition, utility shifting, non availability of Soil/Aggregates, Poor performance of contractors, Environment/ Forest/Wildlife Clearance, ROB & RUB issue with Railways, Public agitation for additional facilities, Arbitration/contractual disputes with contractors etc

(c) Road safety improvement works have been included on National Highways in different states in the current year Annual Plan 2016-17. 35 nos. of works at an estimated cost of about Rs. 400 Crore have been identified and finalization of proposal for sanction is under progress. Ministry has also decided to install crash barriers at accident prone locations on National Highways on Hilly Terrain. Stretches for installation of crash barrier in hilly areas of National Highways totaling a length of 350Kms have been recently received from 9 hilly state.

(d) Various roads have been connected through 17883 km of National Highways during the last three years in the country.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3818 ANSWERED ON 08.12.2016 ASKED BY SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE AND SHRIMATI REKHA VERMA REGARDING PROGRESS OF NATIONAL HIGHWAY PROJECTS.

S. No.	Details of Complaints /Anomalies found during the Execution of National Highways projects
1	Shri Devendra Singh (Bhole), Member (Lok Sabha), Kanpur regarding financial irregularities, loot and allegation of using sub-standard material while making bridge on Shambua rail crossing on NH-86, Kanpur-Sagar.
2	SP, CBI, Kolkata . From perusal of the same it is seen that it is a copy of a table published in newspapers with sub title “Money bungling”. A total of 10 projects have been mentioned in which the cost, length, kms finished, physical progress (%), Financial Progress (%) and money taken out (in Cr.) has been provided.
3	Mr. Satya Vir Yadav regarding preparation of estimates and supervision by Dakshin Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam (DHBVNL) for electric line shifting work to be executed by the concessionaire M/s PCEPL in Haryana portion of the stretch “Six laning of Gurgaon-Kotputli-Jaipur section of NH-8 from km 42+700 to km 273+000”.
4	Ministry asked NHAI to first get the matter regarding the Hon’ble High Court of Rajasthan orders dated 11.08.2015 pertaining to six laning of Gurgaon-Jaipur Section of NH-8 from Km 42.700 to 273.00 in the states of Haryana & Rajasthan BOT (Toll) on DBFO pattern under NHDP Phase-V, thoroughly investigated through their CVO and based on the findings, NHAI Board may decide regarding need of further investigation by other agency including CBI. The matter is under investigation.
