

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1469**  
ANSWERED ON 9<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2017

**ROAD DESIGNS**

1469. SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering laying conduits and ducts alongside road projects to be constructed as a part of the initial road design itself;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure that the existing broadband cables, gas pipelines etc. do not get cut up repeatedly when roads and highways are dug up for widening, expansion or repair work?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE  
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) to (c) This Ministry has issued guidelines on Accommodation of Public and Industrial utility services along and across National Highways vide letter No. RW/NH-33044/29/2015-S&R (R) dated 22.11.2016. As per guideline dated 22.11.2016, there is a provision for utility ducts for appropriate categories / combination of utilities in the construction of new / 4-6 laning of National Highways which would be located at appropriate location preferably as close to the extreme edge of Right of Way (ROW). In stretches where utility ducts are not provided the utility services shall be located beyond the toe line of the embankment and drains as close to the extreme edge of the Right of Way (ROW).

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