

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1864
ANSWERED ON 27TH JULY, 2017

STALLED HIGHWAY PROJECTS

1864. SHRIMATI MAUSAM NOOR:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is planning to re-bid some of the stalled highway projects in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of such projects and the loans provided by banks for these projects;
- (c) whether banks are reluctant to finance these projects again; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) to (d) Yes. MoRTH has been taking proactive steps to identify bottlenecks in awarded but stalled NH projects and address them through appropriate policy and other interventions. 73 NH projects with aggregate length of around 8,310 km were languishing around two and half years back. These projects involved estimated capital investment of around Rs 1,00,000 crores that remained blocked. As a result of MoRTH interventions, most of the languishing projects have been effectively put back on track.

Out of the 73, issues remain to be resolved for only 9 projects. Out of these, some of the projects are being terminated, restructured and rebid. Question does not arise for banks being reluctant to fiancé these projects – these projects are being considered as fresh projects.
