

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3153
ANSWERED ON 3RD AUGUST, 2017

CONVERSION OF ROADS IN NAXALITE AREAS

3153. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to convert roads into highways in various parts of the country to provide adequate road connectivity to the Naxalite affected regions and to link them to the mainstream of Indian economy;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the amount earmarked for such conversion during the last three years, State-wise;
- (c) the time by which such conversion of roads into highways is likely to be completed along with the progress made in this regard, as on date; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) to (d) The Ministry is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs). The Ministry considers declaration of some State roads as new NHs from time to time depending upon requirement of connectivity, inter-se-priority and availability of funds.

The Ministry has taken up a separate scheme for development of 5,477 km roads (NHs and State Roads) in the states of Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Telangana and Uttar Pradesh affected by Left Wing Extremism (LWE) for an approved cost of Rs. 7,300 crore. Apart from this, the Ministry has also taken development of 592 km road (NH and State Road) falling in LWE affected areas of Vijayawada – Ranchi (VR) corridor in the State of Odisha for an approved cost of Rs. 1,200 crore.

The State/ Union Territory (UT)-wise details of State roads declared as new NHs in the country during the last three years are at **Annexure-I**.

No separate funds are allocated for declaration of State Roads as new NHs/ expansion of NH network.

State/ UT – wise details of funds allocated for development of roads in LWE affected areas and for development of VR corridor in the State of Odisha during the last three years are at **Annexure-II**.

Works in about 4,831 km length has been completed under the scheme for development of roads in LWE affected areas and VR corridor till June, 2017. Works have been taken up in length of about 1,180 km. Anticipated completion for these schemes is March, 2019.

Ministry has taken various steps for speedy completion of projects under these schemes, such as authorising State Governments to accept bids upto 10 percent excess over cost of work based on current Schedule of Rates (SOR), allowing States to adopt separate SOR for LWE affected areas for preparation of cost estimates, if required, permitting splitting of works into smaller packages to enable local contractors to participate where there is no response to tenders even after several notices inviting tenders, etc.

ANNEXURE REFERRED IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3153 ANSWERED ON 03.08.2017 ASKED BY SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI REGARDING CONVERSION OF ROADS IN NAXALITE AREAS

The State/ UT-wise details of State roads declared as new NHs in the country during the last three years

(Length in km)

Sl. No.	State / UT	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
1.	Andhra Pradesh	80	676	1,003
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	733	0	0
3.	Assam	76	9	24
4.	Bihar	152	160	0
5.	Chhattisgarh	0	0	154
6.	Delhi	0	0	-11 ^s
7.	Gujarat	978	0	46
8.	Haryana	185	395	0
9.	Himachal Pradesh	70	176	0
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	274	8	0
11.	Jharkhand	11	0	0
12.	Karnataka	138	70	259
13.	Madhya Pradesh	0	9	2,660
14.	Maharashtra	734	387	8,001.8
15.	Manipur	257	0	0
16.	Mizoram	245	0	0
17.	Nagaland	194	0	22.7
18.	Odisha	0	193	0
19.	Punjab	233	530	0
20.	Rajasthan	80	20	0
21.	Sikkim	170	154	0
22.	Tripura	0	228	1.2
23.	Telangana	0	119	759.6
24.	Uttarakhand	432	0	0
25.	Uttar Pradesh	620	0	228
26.	West Bengal	0	46	0
	Total	5,662	3,180	13,148.3
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ANNEXURE-II

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State/ UT – wise details of funds allocated for development of roads in LWE affected areas and for development of VR corridor in the State of Odisha during the last three years

(Amount in Rs. crore)

Development of roads in LWE affected areas				
Sl. No.	State	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
1.	Andhra Pradesh	--	--	2.00
2.	Bihar	20.00	12.00	8.00
3.	Chhattisgarh	245.00	350.00	277.00
4.	Jharkhand	155.00	170.00	145.85
5.	Madhya Pradesh	64.00	25.00	5.00
6.	Maharashtra	155.00	114.00	65.00
7.	Odisha	197.00	115.00	30.00
8.	Telangana	186.00	135.00	27.00
9.	Uttar Pradesh	2.00	0.00	0.15
	Total	1,024.00	921.00	560.00
Development of VR corridor in the State of Odisha				
1.	Odisha	150.00	200.00	200.00
