GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 853 ANSWERED ON 20TH JULY 2017

TARGET FOR ROAD CONSTRUCTION

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

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the pace and road construction rose to 22.5 km per day in 2016-17, if so, the details thereof comparatively during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (b) the steps being taken to speed up road construction work in future;
- (c) whether the Government has targeted constructing 15,000 km of National Highways during 2017-18 that translates into 41 km of road construction daily, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the targets achieved so far?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) The state-wise construction of National Highways in the country during the last three years and current year as on 30th June are as follows:

S No	Year	Length completed (km)	Rate of construction (km per day)
1	2014-15	4410	12.08
2	2015-16	6061	16.60
3	2016-17	8231	22.55
4	2017-18 (up to 30 th June)	2269	25.21

- (b) In order to ensure timely completion of the projects, regular meetings are held with project developers, State Governments and contractors. Regular review meetings are held in Head Quarter by Ministry with Regional Officers, concessionaires /contractors to make the construction of projects hassle free. To expedite completion of these projects various steps are taken which include streamlining of land acquisition & environment clearances, exit for equity investors, premium re-schedulement, close coordination with other Ministries, revamping of dispute resolution mechanism, frequent reviews at various levels etc.
- (c) to (d) Ministry has set an ambitious target of 15000 km against which 2269 km have been completed as on 30th June in current financial year 2017-18.