

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1640**  
ANSWERED ON 28<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2017

**HIGHWAY PROJECTS**

1640. ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV SAWAIKAR:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has recently approved highway projects worth Rs. 7 lakh crore;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, project-wise separately; and
- (c) the extent to which there will be an increase in job opportunities following implementation of the highway projects?

**ANSWER**

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

(SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)

- (a) & (b) Yes Madam. The Cabinet has accorded approval to the investment proposal for the programme Bharatmala Pariyojana (BMP) Phase I on 24.10.2017 for development/upgradation of 34,800 km of National Highways (NHs) with an outlay of Rs 5,35,000 crore. There are six components under this approved programme apart from balance works under the ongoing National Highways Development Project (NHDP). Details are as follows:

i.	Economic Corridors	9,000 km
ii.	Inter corridors and Feeder Roads	6,000 km
iii.	National Corridors Efficiency Improvement	5,000 km
iv.	Border and International Connectivity Roads	2,000 km
v.	Coastal and Port Connectivity Roads	2,000 km
vi.	Expressways	800 km
	Total:	24,800 km
	Balance works under NHDP	10,000 km
	Total for Phase I	34,800 km

The above is to be implemented over a period of five years i.e. 2017-18 to 2021-22.

In addition, 48,877 kms of projects under other ongoing schemes like NH(O), Special Accelerated Road Development Programme in North East (SARDP-NE), Externally

Aided Projects (EAP) and Roads Projects in left Wing Extremism Affected Areas (LWE) are also to be implemented during the same period. This has an approved outlay of Rs.1,57,324 Crore. Therefore, including Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase-I, 83,677 kms of highway sector projects are proposed to be implemented with an overall cost of Rs.6,92,324 Crore.

(c) Implementation of Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase I will enable to create more than 10 crore mandays of work. The programme will also have a force multiplier effect on the economy.

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