

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2977
ANSWERED ON 04TH JANUARY, 2018

GREEN HIGHWAY MISSION

2977. SHRI JANARDAN MISHRA:
SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:
SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received proposal from the various States including the Government of Jharkhand for developing green belt along Highways, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of the National Green Highways Mission launched by the Government;
- (c) the main objectives of the said mission and the extent of progress made in this mission so far;
- (d) whether the Ministry has initiated the green drive to build eco-friendly, sustainable highways and to conserve water while building new roads and roads infrastructure across the nation; and
- (e) if so, the details of the scheme, National Highway-wise?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)

- (a) Yes, Madam. Proposals have been received from some State Governments for developing green belts along National Highways. However, no such proposal has been received from Government of Jharkhand.
- (b) & (c) The Ministry has promulgated Green Highways (Plantation, Transplantation, Beautification & Maintenance) Policy – 2015. The policy envisions development of eco-friendly National Highways for economic growth and development in sustainable manner. Under the aegis of the policy it is intended to develop green belts in the form of median and avenue plantation in available space in Right of Way (ROW). Since the promulgation of policy, 4.94 lakh saplings have been planted so far.
- (d) No, Madam.
- (e) Question does not arise.
