

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6354
ANSWERED ON 05TH APRIL, 2018

EXPANSION OF HIGHWAYS

6354. SHRIMATI RANJEET RANJAN:
SHRI RAJESH RANJAN:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is working on a mega scheme to upgrade National Highways under which highways with two lanes are proposed to be developed into four lane and six lane highways on the basis of traffic;
- (b) if so, the present number of National Highways with two lanes along with the names of the highways proposed to be upgraded, State-wise;
- (c) the number of highways with two lane which have been identified to be developed into four lane or six lane on the basis of traffic along with the time by which work is likely to be started on them; and
- (d) the number of ongoing road projects at present along with the time by which these are likely to be completed?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI MANSUKH L.MANDAVIYA)

- (a) to (d) Yes Madam. The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) has approved the proposal for investment approval for Phase-I of “Bharatmala Pariyojana” during its meeting held on 24.10.2017. “Bharatmala Pariyojana” Phase-I includes development of about 9,000 km length of Economic corridors, about 6,000 km length of Inter-corridor and feeder roads, about 5,000 km length of National Corridors Efficiency improvements, about 2,000 km length of Border and International connectivity roads, about 2,000 km length of Coastal and port connectivity roads, about 800 km length of Expressways and balance length of about 10,000 km of roads under NHDP. The general principle for up-gradation of roads under Phase-I of Bharatmala

Pariyojana includes development of Economic corridors primarily to 4/6 lane NH standards, Inter-corridor and feeder roads primarily to 4 lane NH standards and Border, International connectivity roads, Coastal and port connectivity roads primarily to 2 lane NH standards.

At present, the length of 2-lane National Highways is approximately 60,500 km across the country. The up-gradation of 2-lane National Highways to 4/6 lane configuration is proposed depending upon outcome of Feasibility report/ Detailed Project Report, inter-se priority, traffic density and availability of funds. 1470 nos. of projects amounting to Rs. 4,32,538 Crore having length 44,108 km are ongoing. These are likely to be completed in scheduled completion time as per the respective contract/concession agreements.
