

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 939**  
ANSWERED ON 8<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2018

**NH IN RAJASTHAN**

939. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

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

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total amount allocated for maintenance of National Highways during the current financial year;
- (b) the fund proposed to be spent on the maintenance of National Highways in Rajasthan;
- (c) whether there is any mechanism to decide the priority of National Highways for major repair works;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether there is any mechanism to assess the condition of National Highways in view of their major repair works, if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether bridges have been constructed in Rajasthan under Setu Bharatam projects, if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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

(SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)

(a) and (b) The total allocation for Maintenance and Repair (M&R) of National Highways (NHs) during 2017-18 is Rs. 2,875.75 crore. This includes an allocation of Rs. 92.58 crore earmarked for the State of Rajasthan so far.

(c) and (d) The inter-se priority for carrying out M&R of NHs, including the major repair works on NHs, generally depends upon nature and extent of damages, overall condition of NH stretches, traffic density, minimum works required to be undertaken to ensure traffic worthiness of NHs, the NH stretches under Defect Liability Period (DLP) obligation or stretches under Build, Operate and Transfer (BOT)/ Operate, Maintenance and Transfer (OMT) Concessions, ongoing works on NHs, status of action taken up for new developmental works, availability of funds, etc.

(e) Need for major repairs on NHs is assessed based on nature and severity of damages. Detailed investigation is carried out to assess the damages to the NHs. Based on the outcome of the detailed investigation, the project reports are prepared for undertaking major works of permanent nature and works are sanctioned / implemented accordingly. However, till that time the temporary repair works are carried out to keep NHs in traffic worthy conditions as per inter-se priority and availability of resources.

(f) Setu Bharatam includes construction of 9 numbers of bridges in the State of Rajasthan; out of these, so far, projects for construction of 5 numbers of bridges have been sanctioned.

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