## Government of India Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region

#### LOK SABHA

Unstarred Question No. 3644

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## Question

# **Road Connectivity in NER**

3644. SHRI JITENDRA CHAUDHURY:

Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of national highways under construction in the north east Tripura;

(b) whether the road connectivity in the North Eastern Region (NER) is not adequate and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the national highways are not fully maintained in the north east and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the action taken by the government to improve the road connectivity and maintenance of the roads in the NER?

# ANSWER

# The Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region [Dr. Jitendra Singh]

(a) As per information available, the details of National Highways under construction in the north east Tripura are given in the **Annexure**.

(b) to (d) Development and Maintenance of National Highways (NHs) is a continuous process and the highways are kept in traffic-worthy condition depending upon the availability of funds and inter se priority. Under the Special Accelerated Road **Development Programme for North-East (SARDP-NE)** including Arunachal Package of Roads and Highways, 6418 km of road stretches of National Highways and State Roads have been taken up to improve the connectivity in the North Eastern Region (NER). In order to expedite road construction, Ministry of Road Transport & Highways has set up a company named as "National Highways and Infrastructure Development Limited" Corporation (NHIDCL) for construction/upgradation/widening of National Highways in the region. Under Bharatmala Pariyojana (BMP), road stretches aggregating to about 5301 km in NER have been approved for improvement. Out of this, 3246 km road length has been approved for development of Economic Corridor in North East.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3644 for answer on 08.08.2018

S. No.	Name of Project	Length (in km)
1.	Strengthening including construction of paved shoulder from Km 284.00 to Km 308.00 of NH-8 (old NH-44) Agartala-Churaibari Section in Tripura	24.00
2.	Construction of RCC bridge of 30 mm span over Sanicherra at Km 291.00 on Churaibari-Agartala section of NH-44 in Tripura.	0.03
3.	Construction of 1.50 m wide paved shoulder on either side of 10 Km stretch from Km 308.00 to Km 318.00 along with widening of intermediate lane to 2-lane from Km 313.00 to Km 318.00 on Churaibari-Agartala section of NH-08 (Old NH-44) in Tripura	10.00
4.	Widening to 2-lane with paved shoulder in/c. Geometric improvement from Km 318.00 to Km 339.94 on Churaibari-Agartala section of NH-44 under EPC mode.	21.94
5.	Improvement / widening to 2-lane with paved shoulders of Agartala-Udaipur section from Km 6.8 to Km 55.00 of NH- 44 in the State of Tripura under SARDP-NE Phase "A"	48.36
6.	Construction of cable stayed RCC bridge including viaduct and approaches over river Feni at Sabroom on Indo-Bangladesh border on NH-44 in the State of Tripura on EPC mode	1.89