

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2705
ANSWERED ON 27TH DECEMBER, 2018

NATIONAL HIGHWAYS DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

2705. SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:
SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:
SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of expressways upgraded so far under the National Highways Development Project (NHDP) across the country;
- (b) whether upgradation of some of the expressways under the NHDP is lagging behind from the scheduled completion;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, NH-wise and the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has taken initiatives for connectivity of unconnected districts with the NHs across the country;
- (e) if so, the details and achievements thereof; and
- (f) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to boost the development of Highways in the country?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
(SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)

- (a) to (c) Earlier, Government of India envisaged construction of 1,000 kms of Expressway fully access controlled under NHDP Phase-VI. Out of these, construction work for Delhi-Meerut and Vadodara-Mumbai has been initiated. Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) has now approved Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase-I in October, 2017 under which the balance length of Expressway has been subsumed. The work for DPR/feasibility study of these remaining stretches has been initiated.
- (d) to (f) As per the aforesaid Bharatmala Pariyojana programme, it has been envisaged to provide connectivity to 550 districts in the Country through Bharatmala network. Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase-I is targeted for completion by year 2021-22. A total of 24,800 kms new interventions have been considered in Phase-I. In addition, Phase-I also include 10,000 km of balance road works under the National Highways Development Project (NHDP), taking the total to 34,800 kms. Out of 34,800 kms, highway projects with aggregate length of approximately 6460 kms

have been awarded under Bharatmala Pariyojana (including residual NHDP works) up to November, 2018. In order to achieve timely completion of this scheme, the progress of projects under Bharatmala Pariyojana is monitored regularly to ensure timely completion of DPR / feasibility study and civil works for the projects. Further, use of latest technology such as LIDAR survey, Drone Imaging, Satellite Imaging, etc. is ensured for expeditious implementation of projects. The process of land acquisition for these projects is also in advanced stage.
