

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA
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INVESTMENT IN TRANSPORT SECTOR

2099. SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is planning to invest Rs. 30 lakh crores in transport sector in the coming five years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the extent to which it is likely to create employment opportunities and economic growth;
- (d) whether a part of this investment would also go to inter-linking of rivers; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the name of rivers likely to be linked in Andhra Pradesh?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (c) The Ministry is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs). The development and maintenance of NHs is a continuous process. The works on NHs are accordingly taken up from time to time as per inter-se priority, traffic density and availability of funds to keep the NHs in traffic worthy conditions.

The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) approved the proposal for investment approval of Rs. 6,92,324 crore for Phase-I of “Bharatmala Pariyojana” and other ongoing Central Road Sector schemes 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 National Highways Development Project (NHDP). The programme is targeted for completion in 2021-2022.

The direct and indirect employment generation potential of Phase-I of Bharatmala Pariyojana and other NH / road development Schemes under Central Roads Sector is tentatively estimated to be about 346.80 crore man-days upto 2021-22 as per following details:-

Type of Employment	Estimated man-days generated per lane km	Total Estimated Employment (in crore man-days)
Direct	4,800	154.10
Indirect	6,000	192.70
Total	10,800	346.80

(d) and (e) This Ministry is not concerned with inter-linking of rivers.
