

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2978
ANSWERED ON 11TH JULY, 2019

NHs CONNECTIVITY TO PURNIA

2978. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR:

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

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to connect Purnia with National Highways (NHs) and Expressways of other parts of the country in near future;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government for timely completion of the said projects?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (c) Purnia is already connected with other parts of the country through East-West Corridor as well as through Khagaria-Purnia section of NH-31. In addition to this, civil work on Madhepura-Purnia section (i.e. package-II of Maheshkhunt-Saharsa-Madhepura-Purnia stretch) was commenced in December, 2018 with scheduled completion period as 2 years. The work for Package-I i.e. Maheshkhunt-Saharsa-Madhepura section has also been awarded but appointed date has not been fixed due to non-availability of adequate land.

Further, bidding for improvement & widening of Manihari-Katihar-Purnia (Narenpur-Purnia) section has been annulled due to non-availability of land.

The concerned State Government has been requested to expedite the land acquisition.
