GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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DEVELOPMENT OF NH ALONG COASTLINES

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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) the total length of National Highways (NHs) along the coastline, State/ UT-wise including Andaman and Nicobar Islands;
- (b) the total length of coastal roads which has not been upgraded to NHs, State/ UT-wise including A&N Islands;
- (c) whether the Government has not achieved the target of developing NHs along the coastline in view of the importance of coastal highways and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor:
- (d) whether the Government proposes to upgrade coastal roads/highways to NHs across the country;
- (e) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise along with the time by which these are likely to be upgraded; and
- (f) whether the Government has received certain proposals from coastal States for upgradation of State Highways and if so, the details and the present status thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) State/Union Territory (UT) wise length of National Highways (NHs) along the coastline, including Andaman and Nicobar Islands, is as follows:-

Sr. No.	State	Length (km)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	974
2.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	25
3.	Daman & Diu	22
4.	Goa	262

5.	Gujarat	1362
6.	Karnataka	298
7.	Kerala	692
8.	Maharashtra	493
9.	Odisha	447
10.	Puducherry	41
11.	Tamil Nadu	576
12.	West Bengal	14

(b) to (f) The Ministry keeps on receiving proposals from various State Governments/Union Territories (UTs), etc., for declaration of State roads including State roads along coastlines as new National Highways (NHs). The Ministry considers declaration of some State roads as new NHs from time to time based on requirement of connectivity, inter-se priority and availability of funds.

The Ministry had taken up detailed review of NHs network with a view to develop the road connectivity to Border areas, development of Coastal roads including road connectivity for Non-Major ports, improvement in the efficiency of National Corridors, development of Economic Corridors, Inter Corridors and Feeder Routes along with integration with Sagarmala, etc., under Bharatmala Pariyojana. The programme envisages development of about 26,000 km length of Economic Corridors, which along with Golden Quadrilateral (GQ) and North-South and East-West (NS-EW) Corridors are expected to carry majority of the Freight Traffic on roads. Further, about 8,000 km of Inter Corridors and about 7,500 km of Feeder Routes have been identified for improving effectiveness of Economic Corridors, GQ and NS-EW Corridors. The programme envisages development of Ring Roads / bypasses and elevated corridors to decongest the traffic passing through cities and enhance logistic efficiency.

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.
