

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2748
ANSWERED ON 22ND DECEMBER, 2022**

ROAD CONNECTIVITY IN ASPIRATIONAL DISTRICTS

2748. SHRI. RAMESH CHANDRA MAJHI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is focusing on the highway road connectivity in the aspirational districts in the country including Odisha and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) the length of National Highways (NHs) constructed in all aspirational districts in the country during the last three years and the current year, State-wise including Odisha;**
- (c) whether the Government has noticed any economic development of the aspirational districts as a result of construction of these NHs and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (d) the details of proposed and ongoing highway projects in aspirational districts in the country including Odisha?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) and (b) The Ministry is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs).

All the aspirational districts including for the State of Odisha are connected with the NH network.

The State/ Union Territory (UT) - wise details of length of NHs constructed connecting aspirational districts during last three years and the current year including for the State of Odisha is Annexed.

(c) The development of NHs significantly contribute towards socio-economic development of different regions including aspirational districts in the country.

Similarly, development of other infrastructure facilities such as power, telecommunication, housing, other modes of transportation, etc., and social sectors such as health, education, etc., also significantly improve the socio-economic growth of such regions including aspirational districts.

No specific details are available regarding contribution of development of NH network towards socio-economic development in aspirational districts.

(d) At present 280 NH projects in about 7,485 km length in the country including in the State of Odisha are ongoing for connecting aspirational districts at total estimated cost of about Rs. 1,19,589 crores. Further, about 112 NH projects have been identified for such districts in a length of about 2,859 km costing Rs. 71,818 crores in the country including Odisha.

The details of ongoing and identified NH works connecting the aspirational districts in the State of Odisha are as follows: -

Rs. in crores, Length in km.					
Ongoing works			Works identified		
No.	Length	Cost	No.	Length	Cost
18	734	10,065	9	85	1,180

ANNEXURE**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2748 FOR ANSWER ON 22.12.2022 ASKED BY SHRI. RAMESH CHANDRA MAJHI REGARDING ROAD CONNECTIVITY IN ASPIRATIONAL DISTRICTS**

The State/ Union Territory (UT) - wise details of length of NHs constructed connecting aspirational districts during last three years and the current year: -

Sl. No.	State/ UT	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Length in km.
					2022-23 (As on 31.10.2022)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	90	50	25	4
2.	Assam	0	79	5	2
3.	Bihar	0	228	104	76
4.	Chhattisgarh	10	85	84	26
5.	Gujarat	0	24	0	0
6.	Haryana	0	0	48	0
7.	Himachal Pradesh	0	20	11	0
8.	Jammu and Kashmir	0	0	29	13
9.	Jharkhand	71	220	235	71
10.	Karnataka	0	4	2	2
11.	Kerala	0	0	26	8
12.	Madhya Pradesh	0	33	84	96
13.	Maharashtra	209	271	209	61
14.	Manipur	0	0	18	0
15.	Mizoram	0	0	2	6
16.	Nagaland	0	6	23	0
17.	Odisha	53	209	155	28
18.	Punjab	0	0	1	0
19.	Rajasthan	10	0	51	3
20.	Sikkim	3	0	10	1
21.	Tamil Nadu	0	13	15	5
22.	Telangana	0	10	17	18
23.	Tripura	0	4	22	17
24.	Uttar Pradesh	0	91	78	93
25.	Uttarakhand	0	0	4	13
26.	West Bengal	0	57	34	63
	Total	446	1,405	1,292	605
