

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1231  
ANSWERED ON 9<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2023**

**PACE OF CONSTRUCTION OF NH**

**1231. MS MIMI CHAKRABORTY:**

**Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

**be pleased to state:**

**(a) whether it is a fact that the pace of per day construction of National Highways (NHs) in the country is recorded as 22 km in 2021-22 against 28 km in 2020-21 and 30 km in 2019-20 and still is below the target and if so, the reasons therefor;**

**(b) whether it is also a fact that allocation in the budget of 2022-23 has seen a decrease of two percent over the revised estimates of 2021-22 and if so, the reasons therefor; and**

**(c) the manner in which the Government proposes to achieve the target of construction of 25,000 km of NH in the next financial year in view of the current slow pace of construction?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

**(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)**

**(a) The Ministry has constructed 10,237 km, 13,327 km and 10,457 km of National Highways (NHs) during the financial year 2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22 respectively. Further, the Ministry has set a target for construction of 12,200 km NHs during the current financial year 2022-23, against which 5,774 km has been constructed till December, 2022.**

**(b) Total outlay during 2022-23 is Rs. 1,99,107.71 crore at Budget Estimate (BE) stage as against total outlay of Rs. 1,31,149.07 crore at Revised Estimate (RE) stage during 2021-22.**

**(c) The Ministry envisaged to construct 13,000 km of NHs during next financial year 2023-24, as part of Ministry's vision to construct 60,000 km of NHs during the period from 2019-20 to 2023-24. However, the targets of construction for next two years have not been finalized.**

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