

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2545  
ANSWERED ON 16<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2023**

**EXPANSION OF NATIONAL HIGHWAYS NETWORK**

**2545. SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:  
SHRI RAJVEER SINGH (RAJU BHAIYA):  
SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:  
DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:  
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:**

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

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**be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government had planned to expand National Highways Network by 25000 Km. in 2022-23 and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the Government had proposed to mobilize Rs. 20000 crore for the purpose and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the contracts were proposed to be awarded through Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode in 2022-23 for implementation of Multi Modal Logistics Parks at four locations in the country;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) the other steps being taken by the Government in this regard?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

**(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)**

- (a) The Ministry keeps on receiving proposals from various State Governments / Union Territories (UTs) for declaration / upgradation of State roads, including State Highways (SHs), as new National**

**highways (NHs). The Ministry considers declaration of some State roads, including SHs and those from the Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase-I, as NHs from time to time based on the well established principles of requirement of connectivity, inter-se priority and availability of funds.**

**During 2022-23, about 3,811 km length of State roads have been notified as NHs so far.**

**(b) The budgetary outlay of the Ministry for the year 2022-23 under BE is Rs. 1,99,108 Crore, including Rs. 20,000 Crore targeted to be mobilised through monetization of NHs under Toll Operate and Transfer (TOT) model. In addition, the Ministry through National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has also been raising funds through innovative financing mechanism like Infrastructure Investment Trust (InvIT) and Project based financing. During 2022-23, Rs. 2,850 Crore has been raised through InvIT and Rs. 7,584 Crore through Project based financing model.**

**(c) to (e) The Multi Modal Logistics Parks (MMLPs) at Chennai and Indore have been awarded at a total cost of Rs. 1,424 Crore and Rs. 1,111 Crore respectively under Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode during 2022-23. Bids for MMLP at Bengaluru have been received; bids for MMLP at Nagpur have been invited.**

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