

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2623
ANSWER ON 16TH MARCH 2023**

WIDENING OF HIGHWAY

2623. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the Minister of Road Transport and Highways
सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any proposal has been received from the State of Chhattisgarh for widening and strengthening of 22 kms stretch of Kurmatarai-Korra-Silauti-Arkar road;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the date on which it was received;**
- (c) whether any time limit has been fixed for disposal of the said proposal and if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether the development work gets hampered due to long time taken in the disposal of the proposal thereby resulting in cost escalation of the project; and**
- (e) if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (e) This Ministry is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways in the country. Ministry also approves improvement works on State Roads under Central Road and Infrastructure Fund. The proposal for widening and strengthening of Kurmatarai-Korra-Silauti-Arkar road under CRIF scheme was initially submitted by Government of Chhattisgarh in December 2019. However, the State Government subsequently did not include the said work in its consolidated priority list recommended for approval under CRIF during February 2022 and accordingly the said project could not be considered for approval by Ministry.
