

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3595
ANSWERED ON 10TH AUGUST, 2023**

ENCROACHMENT OF NHS

3595. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) the total area of the National Highways (NHs) under encroachment in the country, State/UT-wise;**
- (b) whether the Government has issued directions to State administration to free NHs from encroachments; and**
- (c) if so, the percentage reduction in encroachments of NHs?**

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)**

(a) to (c). There are instances of illegal permanent and temporary encroachments on National Highways (NHs) Right of Way (RoW) at different places particularly in urban/built-up areas. Removal of illegal encroachments/unauthorised occupation on NHs ROW is taken up by Highway Administrations as per the provisions of the Control of National Highways (Land and Traffic) Act, 2002. The implementing agencies of Ministry of Road Transport and Highways carry out drives on periodical basis to remove encroachments from NHs RoW in co-ordination with district administration.
