

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

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION No.*172
ANSWERED ON 14TH DECEMBER, 2023**

FOUR AND SIX LANING OF NH-512

***172. DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR**

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is upgrading National Highway-512 (NH-512) from Gazole to Balurghat from two to four/six lanes;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the progress made in this regard so far;**
- (c) the details of disruption in construction activities, compensation issues and constraints faced in land acquisition, etc.;**
- (d) whether the construction on NH-512 was started and halted many times while upgrading it;**
- (e) if so, the details thereof, including the cooperation received from the State Government;**
- (f) whether the Government has also approached the Government of Bangladesh for extending NH-512 beyond border in Bangladesh;**
- (g) if so, the details thereof including their reaction thereto; and**
- (h) the details of other important roads constructed in North Bengal including Balurghat Parliamentary Constituency during the last five years?**

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS
(Shri NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)**

(a) to (h)- A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (h) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 172 ANSWERED ON 14.12.2023 ASKED BY DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR REGARDING FOUR AND SIX LANING OF NH-512

(a) The detailed project report (excluding km 104.2 to km 106.607) has been awarded. The approval of the project can be done subject to inter-se priority & availability of resources.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) to (e) The work of widening & upgradation to 2 lane with paved shoulder from km 82.4 to km 99.5 and 4 lane from km 104.2 to km 106.607 was delayed mainly due to land acquisition issues & encroachment removal but the project has since been completed in March, 2023 de-scoping Toll Plaza near Bangladesh border.

(f) No, Sir.

(g) Does not arise.

(h) The details of important NH projects completed/ under implementation in North Bengal including Balurghat Parliamentary Constituency during last five years are in Annexure-I.

ANNEXURE-I

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (h) OF LOK SABHA
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DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR REGARDING FOUR AND SIX LANING OF
NH-512**

The details of important NH projects (costing more than Rs. 50 Crores) completed/ under implementation in North Bengal including Balurghat Parliamentary Constituency during last five years are as under:

Sr. No	Name of the Project	TPC (Rs in crore)	Length in km	Physical Progress	Actual/ Target Date of completion
1	Four laning of Ghospukur-Dhupguri Section of NH-31D (Package I) in the state of West Bengal on EPC Mode.	1133.02	83.78	Completed	19-07-2021
2	Four laning of Farakka – Raiganj Section of NH-34 in the State of West Bengal under NHDP Phase-III on DBFOT (Toll) basis.	1078.84	100.2	Completed	25-03-2022
3	Proposed development for road corridor component of AH-48 involving NH-717, NH-31, NH-31C, NH-317A on Sub-regional Road Connectivity among Bangladesh, Bhutan, Indian & Nepal under the loan assistance from ADB. (Job No. AH-48-WB-2014-15-380)	937.76	90.57	Completed	01-11-2019
4	Proposed development for road corridor component of AH-02 involving NH-327B, NH-31C, NH-31 & NH-10 on Sub-regional Road Connectivity among	720.97	37.27	Completed	31-07-2019

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	Bangladesh, Bhutan, Indian & Nepal under the loan assistance from ADB. (Job No.AH-02-WB-2014-15-379)				
5	Rehabilitation and upgradation of Pundibari to Baxirhat (WB/Assam Border) section of NH-31 from km 770-816 of NH-31 to two lanes with paved shoulders under NHDP-IV on EPC basis (Job no. 31-WB-NHDPIV-2014-15-02)	398.52	46	Completed	23-01-2020
6	Four laning of Islampur Bypass section of NH31 in the state of West Bengal under NHDP Phase-II.	277.00	10.31	Completed	26-02-2021
7	Up-gradation of NH-512 with a minimum 2-Lane with paved shoulder configuration starting from Ch 82.4 km to 99.5 km and minimum of 4-Lane configuration from Ch 104.2 km to Ch 106.607 km along with cost of Land Acquisition, on EPC mode in the State of West Bengal under Annual Plan 2017-2018 (Job No 512-WB-2017-18/422)	218.70	19.486	Completed	10-03-2023
8	Upgradation of NH-31C with a minimum of 2-lane with paved shoulder configuration starting from km 105.000 to km 145.632 (total length 40.632 km) in Jalpaiguri	202.69	40.5	Completed	03-03-2020

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	on EPC mode (Job No. 31C-WB-2016-17-417)				
9	Upgradation of NH-31C from Ch. 182.00 (Hashimara) to km 228.00 (Salsalibadi) to 2-lane with paved shoulder configuration in the district of Alipurduar, West Bengal (Job No. 031C-WB-2015-16-401)	165.21	46	Completed	14-12-2019
10	(i) Restoration work at Tindharia Area in km 52.750 on Darjeeling side to km 52.90 on Siliguri side of NH-55 (ii) Restoration of work in km 53.480 of NH-55 (iii) Restoration of work in km 50.250 of NH-55	137.53	-	Completed	08-01-2021
11	Balance construction work of Dalkhola Bypass including ROB on NH-34 the state of West Bengal on EPC mode	118.00	4.538	Completed	14-11-2022
12	Upgradation of NH-31C from Ch. 718.00 (Birpara) to km 742.50 (Falakata) to 2-lane with paved shoulder configuration (Job No. 031-WB-2016-17-407)	117.73	24.5	Completed	11-03-2019
13	Construction of ROB and its approaches in lieu of Level Crossing at km 661.100 on NH-31 (Maynaguri) (Job No. NH-31/WB/(20)/15-16/019-S&R(B))	105.57	ROB	Completed	14-12-2022

Sr. No	Name of the Project	TPC (Rs in crore)	Length in km	Physical Progress	Actual/ Target Date of completion
14	Construction of twins 2-lane ROB and its approaches in replacement of Level Crossing at km 615.5 of NH-31 (Oodlabari) (Job No. NH-31/WB/(19)/15-16/017-S&R(B))	102.67	ROB	Completed	24-02-2022
15	Construction of Mechi Bridge and Approaches on India-Nepal border linking Kakarvitta in Nepal and Panitnaki in India under Engineering Procurement and Construction (EPC) Mode [Package No. III/BOT/WB/03]	158.65	1.5	Completed	05-09-2020
16	Balance 4-laning work of Raiganj Dalkhola section of NH-34 in the State of West Bengal on EPC mode	1028.70	50.35	98.63%	31-03-2024
17	Development to 4/6-lanning of NH-31 (New NH-10) with both side service roads from km 569.258 to km 581.030 (end of AH-02 project on NH- 31 near Shivmandir to Sevoke Army Cantonment) (Job No. 010/WB/2021-22/490)	995.04	11.77	3.50%	19-09-2025
18	Upgradation of NH-81 with a minimum of 2-Lane with paved shoulder configuration starting from km 19.205 to km 46.550 in the District of Malda including cost of Land Acquisition, on EPC mode in the State of West Bengal under Annual Plan	414.86	26.75	80.01%	26-01-2024

Sr. No	Name of the Project	TPC (Rs in crore)	Length in km	Physical Progress	Actual/ Target Date of completion
	2017-2018 (Job No. 081-WB-2017-18-421)				
19	Construction and upgradation of alternate highway to Gangtok from Bagrakot to KaferPkg IV A: Bagrakot-Kafer of NH-717A	402.95	15.24	63.57%	31-03-2024
20	Construction and upgradation existing road with 2L+PS including geometry improvement of section from start of Pedong Bypass to Reshi Border km 79.700 to km 96.254 of (NH-717A) on EPC basis under SARDPE NE phase a in the state of West Bengal (PKG V B)	345.38	16.55	80.80%	31-03-2024
21	Construction and upgradation existing road with 2L+PS including geometry improvement of Kafer to Lava More Section from km 40 .000 to km 61.100 of (NH-717A) on EPC basis under SARDPE NE phase in the state of West Bengal (PKG V A)	311.02	21.1	80.52%	31-03-2024
22	Construction and upgradation of Alternate highway to Gangtok from Bagrakot to Kafer PKG IV B :Bagrakot-Kafer (NH-717A)	295.97	12.6	81.78%	31-03-2024
23	Construction of new road at the missing link portion of NH-81 along the approved alignment	291.20	13.15	69.71%	31-03-2024

Sr. No	Name of the Project	TPC (Rs in crore)	Length in km	Physical Progress	Actual/ Target Date of completion
	between Harishchandrapur & Easter approach of Kalindri-Bridge, in the district of Malda (Job No. 081-WB-2015-16-400)				
24	Development of 4-laning section of NH-31 from Km 551.36 (Ghoshpukur) to Km 563.26 (Bihar More, Bagdogra) in Darjeeling District, West Bengal on EPC Mode. (Project Length - 11.90 Km) under Annual Plan 2017-2018. (Job No. 031-WB-2017-18-423)	254.30	11.9	92.93%	31-03-2024
25	Construction and upgradation of Alternate highway to Gangtok from Bagrakot to Kafer PKG IV D: Bagrakot-Kafer (NH-717A)	242.98	13.9	95.68%	31-03-2024
26	Construction of twins 2-lane ROB and its approached in lieu of Level Crossing at km 652.6 of NH-31 (Lataguri)	72.19	ROB	90.50%	13-02-2024
