

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2063
ANSWERED ON 14TH DECEMBER 2023**

HIGHWAYS IN RAJASTHAN

**†2063. SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:
SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:
SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:**

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of the roads in border areas of Rajasthan;**
- (b) the length of roads in kilometre that have been constructed in the border areas of Rajasthan;**
- (c) the number of National Highways (NHs) and State Highways (SHs) in Rajasthan;**
- (d) the number of State roads/SHs declared as NHs in the State during each of the last three years and the current year;**
- (e) whether the Government has provided any funds for the development of such new NHs and if so, the details thereof;**
- (f) the names of various schemes being run by the Government to improve transportation facilities in the said areas;**
- (g) whether any proposal from the Government of Rajasthan is pending with the Union Government regarding maintenance and modernization of roads in rural and border areas and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (h) whether the Government is considering the above proposals, if so, the details along with the present status thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (h) The Ministry is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs) including NHs in border areas and rural areas. Development and maintenance of State roads including State Highways (SHs) are responsibilities of concerned State Governments.

Development and maintenance of NHs, including newly notified NHs, NHs in border and rural areas, is a continuous process and works are accordingly taken up on these NHs to keep them in traffic worthy conditions based on traffic density, inter se priority and availability of funds.

There are 52 nos of NHs having a total length of about 10,706 km in the State of Rajasthan. As informed by the State Government of Rajasthan, there are 190 nos of SHs having total length of about 17,334 km in the State of Rajasthan.

About 365 km length of State roads including SHs have been notified as NHs in the State of Rajasthan during last three years and current year.

Year-wise funds allocated and expenditure incurred on NHs including newly notified NHs and NHs in border and rural areas in the State of Rajasthan during last three years and current year as follows:-

Amount in Rs. Crore								
Year	2020-21		2021-22		2022-23		2023-24 (till Oct-23)	
	Alloc.	Exp.	Alloc.	Exp.	Alloc.	Exp.	Alloc.	Exp.
Rajasthan	7,340	7,340	11,438	11,353	9,729	9,719	4,075	3,889

Development of about 2,770 km length of NHs have been taken up for improving connectivity to the border areas in the State of Rajasthan. Out of these about 2,546 km has been completed so far.

The development of NHs in the State of Rajasthan are being taken up under Bharatmala Pariyojana and National Highways (Original) [NH(O)] schemes.

The Ministry administers following schemes in various States / Union Territories (UTs) including Rajasthan towards improvement of transport facilities: -

(i) Conducting workshops cum training programmes for development of Human Resources in Transport Departments of States / UTs and the Ministry (through various institutes towards updating officials with new rules and regulations relating to Transport). The institutes have also trained Transport Department officials from the State of Rajasthan;

(ii) Central Assistance for strengthening the ITS in Public Transport System in the Country;

(iii) Development, Customization, Deployment and Management of State-wise vehicle tracking platform for Safety & Enforcement as per AIS 140 Specifications in States / UTs under Nirbhaya Framework. The Ministry has released an amount of Rs 4.192 crore to the State Government of Rajasthan under this Scheme.
