

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3078
ANSWERED ON 21ST DECEMBER, 2023**

COMPLETION OF NH-53 AND NH-55

3078. SHRI MAHESH SAHOO:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) the reasons for delay in completion of National Highways (NH)-53 and NH-55;**
- (b) whether the delay is on the part of the contractor or lack of fund or any other administrative reasons and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the time by which the said highways are likely to be completed;**
- (d) the likely cost escalation due to the delay; and**
- (e) the steps taken to control pollution in the area arising out of the NH work?**

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) Improvement and upgradation of highways is a continuous process. At present there are 17 number of ongoing works on NH-53 and NH-55, out of which 12 number of works have been delayed.

The delays are attributable to various reasons such as delay in land acquisition, forest clearance, utility shifting & tree felling permission, slow progress by the contractor/sub-contractor, disruption in mining activities, delay in clearance from Railways in respect of fabrication and launching of girders for ROBs/RUBs, COVID Pandemic, etc.

(c) The revised schedule completion of NH-53 & NH-55 is as given in Annexure.

(d) There is a provision of price adjustment in the contract /concession agreements for NH works. In the extended period, price adjustment is paid to contractor/concessionaire if delay is on account of Authority's Default(s)/Force Majeure Event(s) and no other cost escalation is permitted.

(e) For each NH improvement and upgradation project, environment plan is prepared in advance and accordingly various steps are taken by the contractor/concessionaire to prevent air/water pollution.

ANNEXURE**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3078 ANSWERED ON 21.12.2023 ASKED BY SHRI MAHESH SAHOO REGARDING COMPLETION OF NH-53 AND NH-55**

The delayed works in NH 53 & NH 55 are targeted to be completed as below:

S.No.	State	NH No.	Name of Sanctioned Project	Length in Km	Schedule date of completion	Revised schedule date of completion
1	Odisha	53	4-laning of Talcher to End of Kamakhyanagar	41.73	18.08.2021	30.06.2024
2	Odisha	53	4-laning of Duburi-Chandikhole	39.4	08.08.2022	31.03.2024
3	Chhattisgarh	53	Construction of 4 Nos Grade Separator between Km. 281.000 to Km, 307.600 (Km. 286.400 Kumhari, Km. 299.000 Transport Nagar, Km. 302.000 Power House, Km. 304.000 Chandra Moura Chowk to Km. 305.00 Supela) of NH-53 Old NH-06) Raipur-Durg 4 Lane on EPC mode in the State of Chhattisgarh. Job No. NH-53 (Old NH-06) CG-2017-18-56	0	27.01.2021	31-03-2024
4	Maharashtra	53	4L Mitigation Measure structures on CH/MH Border to Wainganga Bridge Section of NH-6	10.995	07.11.2023	30.06.2024

S.No.	State	NH No.	Name of Sanctioned Project	Length in Km	Schedule date of completion	Revised schedule date of completion
5	Maharashtra	53	6L of Wainganga Bridge - Bhandara (including Bhandara Bypass) section from km 485.000 to km 499.800 of NH-53 (old NH-6)	14.8	05.01.2024	31.07.2024
6	Maharashtra	53	Bal. Works of Fagne (Km. 510.000) to Maharashtra/Gujarat Border (Km. 650.794)	140.794	18.09.2022	31.03.2024
7	Maharashtra	53	Tarsod - Fagne section of NH-6	87.3	12.07.2021	31.03.2024
8	Maharashtra	53	6L of Saundard ROB on Raipur Nagpur (from 441.970 km to 443.560 km)	1.6	03.12.2020	30.06.2024
9	Maharashtra	53	Construction of 4 lane Flyover at Nagpur RTO Chowk to Nagpur University Campus from Km. 2+250 to 5+100 and 4 lane Flyover at Wadi MIDC Junction from km. 8+360 to Km. 10+300 On NH-53 On EPC Mode in The State of Maharashtra.	4.79	01-03-2024	31-12-2024
10	Odisha	55	4-laning of Angul-Sambalpur	150.8	30.08.2019	31.03.2024
11	Odisha	55	4-laning of Cuttack-Angul Pkg I	59.8	16.07.2020	31.03.2024
12	Odisha	55	4-laning of Cuttack-Angul Pkg II	51.8	06.09.2020	Jun-2024
