

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 873  
ANSWERED ON 7<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2023**

**UPGRADATION TO NHS**

**873. SHRI AJAY KUMAR MANDAL:**

**Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

**be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Ministry is responsible mainly for the development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs);**
- (b) if so, the NH-wise details of the funds released and spent for the maintenance on the National Highways in Bhagalpur Parliamentary constituency;**
- (c) whether the Vikramshila Setu constructed on the river Ganga in Bhagalpur Parliamentary constituency is the part of NH;**
- (d) if so, the reasons for not approving the proposals for maintenance of the said setu on NH in Bhagalpur; and**
- (e) the time since when the maintenance of the said setu has been pending?**

**ANSWER**

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

- a. Yes, Sir.**
- b. The funds for maintenance of the National Highways are released State-wise and not NH-wise. Details of the funds spent for the maintenance of National Highways passing fully or partly in Bhagalpur Parliamentary constituency during last five years are as under:**

<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>Old NH No.</b>	<b>Funds Spent (In Rs. Cr.)</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>0.74</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>33.14</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>133E</b>	<b>2.1</b>

**c. Yes, Sir.**

**d. & (e) It was decided at the time of sanction of construction of new Vikramshila Bridge that the existing old 2-lane Vikramshila Setu including whole approach road would be maintained by the State Government of Bihar from their own resources and accordingly it is maintained by Government of Bihar.**

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