GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 350ANSWERED ON 12TH DECEMBER, 2019

ROAD SIDE PLANTATION ALONG NHs

*350. SHRI REBATI TRIPURA: SHRI VIJAY KUMAR DUBEY:

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

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is mandatory for highway construction company/agency/ department to develop green belt or plant trees in a specified area;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with criteria laid down for the purpose;
- (c) the details of the area of green belts developed as per the rules/criteria along the National Highways (NHs) constructed between Nagaur to Jodhpur and Ajmer to Nagaur in Rajasthan;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to develop green belt along all NHs specially nearby Tripura and Kushinagar in Uttar Pradesh in near future and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of plan outlay and implementation procedure for such proposals?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (e) A STATEMENT is laid on the table of the House

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (A) TO (E) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 350 ANSWERED ON 12TH DECEMBER, 2019 ASKED BY SHRI REBATI TRIPURA AND SHRI VIJAY KUMAR DUBEY REGARDING "ROAD SIDE PLANTATION ALONG NHs"

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(a) to (b) Yes Sir, Avenue and median plantation is an integral part of the project. The plantation is carried out on available ROW as per IRC:SP:21:2009 Guidelines and Green Highways Policy, 2015, through the contractor. This is also carried out through forest department as deposit work and also competitive bidding through private agencies wherein the stretch is not under the scope of contract.

- (c) The Ajmer-Nagaur contract which was awarded under BOT (Toll) on 23.03.2012 has been foreclosed. As per above-mentioned IRC guidelines, there is provision for plantation within available ROW in Nagaur to Jodhpur and Ajmer Nagaur Projects when it is taken up subsequently under EPC mode.
- (d) to (e) There is no such proposal in Tripura and in Kushinagar in Uttar Pradesh along NH-28.
