 DEVELOPMENT OF NHS IN GUJARAT

2045. SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any action plan for the
development of National Highways (NH) and upgradation of State
Highways passing through the State of Gujarat;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the Government has any programme for the maintenance
of the said highways; and
(d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) The Ministry is primarily responsible for development and
maintenance of National Highways (NHs). The development and
maintenance of NHs is a continuous process. Ministry regularly
undertakes development of deficient and substandard State roads and
notified them as National Highways. Further, the Ministry keeps on
receiving proposals from the State Government of Gujarat for
declaration of State roads as new NHs. The Ministry considers
declaration of some State roads as new NHs from time to time based on
requirement of connectivity, inter-se priority, traffic density, strategic
importance and availability of funds.
(b) Details of State Roads notified as NHs in the State of Gujarat during the last Financial year and current year are as under:

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(c) The Maintenance and Repair (M&R) of stretches of National Highway is a continuous process and is planned to keep all sections of National Highways in traffic worthy condition. At present, maintenance of recently declared National Highways are covered under Periodical Renewal (PR), Improvement of Riding Quality Programme (IRQP), Long Term Maintenance Scheme and Short Term Maintenance Scheme.

(d) Works amounting to Rs. 64.64 crores are already sanctioned so far for the maintenance of aforesaid National Highways.

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