

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

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 317
ANSWERED ON 24TH MARCH, 2022**

DEVELOPMENT OF ECONOMIC CORRIDOR

***317. SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:**

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to construct a special economic corridor from Paradip of Jagatsinghpur district to Barabil of Kendujhar district in the State of Odisha considering the business potential of the area;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the construction of said corridor is likely to be completed:**
- (c) the details of the ongoing/pending/completed National Highway (NH) projects in the State along with the funds allocated, sanctioned and utilised for the purpose during the last three years and the current year;**
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to complete the pending projects within the stipulated period of time;**
- (e) the details of State Highways converted into NHs in the State during the said period; and**
- (f) the details of mechanism put in place by the Government to monitor and check the construction quality and maintenance work of NHs?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (f) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 317 ANSWERED ON 24TH MARCH, 2022 ASKED BY SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB REGARDING 'DEVELOPMENT OF ECONOMIC CORRIDOR'

(a) & (b) The details of the Corridor from Paradip of Jagatsinghpur district to Barabil of Keonjhar district are given as under:

- i. Paradip - Chandikhole: The stretch is already 4-laned. The feasibility study /Detailed Project Report (DPR) from Paradip to Chandikhole stretch to 8 lanes has been initiated.**
- ii. Chandikhole to Panikoli: The stretch is already 4-laned. The upgradation to 6 lane configuration is in advanced stage and targeted for completion by 30.06.2022.**
- iii. Panikoili to Rimuli: The road is already 4-laned.**
- iv. Rimuli – Bhadrasahi (near Barabil): This stretch is part of Rimuli - Koida Section, wherein 4-lane is almost completed.**

In addition to above, the status of an alternate stretch i.e. Chandikhole - Duburi – Keonjhar is as under:

- i. Chandikhole - Duburi: The 4-laning work in this stretch has been initiated and targeted for completion by 31.03.2023, except for the Bridge over River Brahmani. The work of construction of Bridge over River Brahmani is in bidding stage.**
- ii. Duburi - Keonjhar: The DPR for 4-laning of Duburi to Keonjhar has been initiated.**

(c) The details of the ongoing & completed National Highway (NH) projects in the State of Odisha is tabulated below:

Stage	No. of projects	Length (km)	Cost (Rs. in crore)
Ongoing projects as of February 2022	49	1968	17,963
Completed projects during last 3 years	37	1345	7,667

The funds allocated and utilised for the development of National Highways in the State of Odisha during the last three years and the current year is tabulated below:

Agency	Year	Allocation (Rs. in crore)	Expenditure/Utilization (Rs. in crore)
State PWD	2018-19	906	879
	2019-20	561	516
	2020-21	737	727
	2021-22 upto Feb. 2022	757	688
NHAI	2018-19	There is no State-wise fund allocation for the projects executed through NHAI	1,887
	2019-20		3,130
	2020-21		3,895
	2021-22 upto Feb. 2022		2,700

(d) Regular meetings are held with all stakeholders at various levels to complete the projects within scheduled completion date. The preconstruction activities are continuously monitored with concerned departments of Central and State Governments to remove the bottlenecks and get those completed quickly.

(e) 465.86 km new National Highways have been declared in the State of Odisha during the said period.

(f) The quality of construction and maintenance works is checked by Authority Engineer/Independent Engineer as per provisions of contract/concession agreement, applicable standards and specifications. The quality issues are also monitored and verified by field officers.
