

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1574
ANSWERED ON 10TH FEBRUARY, 2022**

DEVELOPMENT OF ROAD UNDER BHARATMALA PARIYOJANA

1574. SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the date on which Bharatmala Pariyojana was launched along with the details of road construction projects completed thereunder so far in the country particularly in Rajasthan;**
- (b) whether construction of approximately 500 km of road from Ajmer to Chandigarh has been announced under the said pariyojana and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether Detailed Project Report (DPR) with regard to the said proposal was sent for approval in 2018-19 and if so, the reasons for pendency of the said project;**
- (d) whether the Government proposes to develop 406 Km of Mega Highway from Kisangarh, Ajmer to Hanumangarh as National Highway (NH) by widening it and converting it into four lane under the Engineering Procurement and Construction system and NH Development Project and if so, the details thereof;**
- (e) whether the Government proposes to develop the proposed road from Ajmer to Chandigarh under the pariyojana in view of the excessive traffic load and road accident casualties on this route;**
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the project is likely to be completed; and**
- (g) if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) The Government of India had approved Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase-I in October, 2017 with an aggregate length of about 34,800 km (including 10,000 km residual National Highways Development Programme stretches) at an estimated outlay of Rs. 5,35,000/- crores. Projects comprising length of 19,363 km have been awarded in the entire Country under the Pariyojana so far out of which 6,997 km length has been completed.

A length of 2,737 km has been envisaged for development under this scheme in the State of Rajasthan. Out of which, works comprising length of 2,226 km having total cost of Rs. 39,669 crore have been awarded so far and length of about 1,545 km has been completed.

(b) to (g) Development of Ludhiana-Ajmer stretch was envisaged initially under the list of Economic Corridors under Bharatmala Pariyojana. However, keeping in mind the development of the Trans-Rajasthan Corridor, Delhi-Vadodara Corridors and Amritsar-Bhatinda-Jamnagar Corridor, it was decided to take up the Ludhiana-Ajmer stretch in subsequent phases of Bharatmala Pariyojana based on traffic assessment post the completion of the aforementioned corridors to avoid infructuous expenditure. The work of preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for Jalandhar-Moga-Bhatinda-Kishangarh-Ajmer stretch has also been closed.
