GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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DEVELOPMENT OF NHS IN WEST BENGAL

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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes or programmes being implemented to develop National Highways (NHs) in the country; and

(b) the details of such schemes and funds allocated for development of NHs in the State of West Bengal during 2021-2022?

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 Ministry took up development of NHs / roads under various phases of National Highways Development Project (NHDP), Special Accelerated Road Development Programme for the North East Region (SARDP-NE) including Arunachal Pradesh Package of Roads, Special Programme for Development of Roads in the Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected areas, Externally Aided Projects (EAP), National Highways (Original) [NH (O)] scheme, etc. Various phases of NHDP envisaged development of NHs to 4/6 lane and 2 lane NH standards, development of expressways, etc. Development of most of the roads/ NHs under other schemes envisages their upgradation to 2 lane NH standards.

Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase–I, approved by the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) on 24.10.2017, includes development of 24,800 km length of Greenfield Expressways / Access Controlled Highways / Economic Corridors, Inter-corridor and feeder roads including National Corridors Efficiency improvement projects, Border and International connectivity roads, Coastal and port connectivity roads and balance approximately 10,000 km subsumed under National Highways Development Projects (NHDP).

(b) The Ministry has incurred total expenditure of Rs. 3,122 crores on various projects for development of NHs in the state of West Bengal under Bharatmala Pariyojana/NHDP, EAP, SARDP-NE and NH(O) schemes till 28.02.2022.

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