GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4766 ANSWERED ON 31st MARCH, 2022

REPAIRING OF NATIONAL HIGHWAYS IN BIHAR

4766. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the maintenance and repair works taken up on National Highways (NHs) include Ordinary Repairs (OR), Periodical Renewals (PR), Special Repairs (SR) and Flood Damage Repairs (FDR) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that various service roads/ NHs in the State of Bihar including district Gopalganj have been damaged due to flood and need maintenance;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether it is a fact that road signs on NHs in the State of Bihar are not available/visible and the people are facing difficulties in identifying the areas and if so, the remedial measures taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) The development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs) is a continuous process.

The Maintenance and Repair (M&R) of stretches of NHs, where either Development works have commenced or Operation, Maintenance and Transfer (OMT) Concessions/ Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Contracts have been awarded, are the responsibility of the concerned Concessioners/ Contractors till the Defect Liability Period (DLP)/ the Concession Period. M&R of balance stretches of NHs are carried out annually as per available budgetary outlay, inter-se priority and traffic density to keep such NHs in traffic worthy conditions.

The Ministry implements M&R of NHs entrusted with State Governments/ Union Territory (UT) through works such as Periodic Renewals (PR), Ordinary Repairs (OR), Flood Damage Repairs (FDR), etc., through State Governments/ UTs as per extant policies.

The M&R of NHs are implemented on the agency basis. The State Governments (State Public Works Departments (PWDs), Road Construction Departments (RCDs), etc.), National Highways Authority of India (NHAI), National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL) and Border Roads Organisation (BRO) are the main agencies of the Ministry. The responsibility of maintenance of NHs rests with the agency to which the NH stretch is entrusted.

(b) and (c) The details of NHs / service roads damaged due to flood in the State of Bihar along-with action taken on the same has been placed at Annexure.

(d) Road signs on NHs are provided as per the extant policy guidelines and site requirements. It is ensured that the damaged sign boards are replaced from time to time.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (b) AND (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4766 FOR ANSWER ON 31.03.2022 ASKED BY DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN REGARDING REPAIRING OF NATIONAL HIGHWAYS IN BIHAR

The details of NHs / service roads damaged due to flood in the State of Bihar along-with action taken on the same: -

SI. No.	NH No.	Type of Damage	Action taken
1	28A	Flood Damage	Damage repaired
2	107	Pot Holes	Traffic restoration work estimate was approved and work executed accordingly.
3	722	Potholes, Cracks etc.	The potholes & Cracks have been repaired.
4	531	Potholes, Cracks etc.	The potholes & Cracks have been repaired.
5	22	Potholes, Cracks etc.	The potholes & Cracks have been repaired.
6	31	Potholes, Cracks etc.	The potholes & Cracks have been repaired.
7	131A	Crust and flanks damage	Temporary restoration of damages done for the smooth flow of traffic
8	81	Crust and flanks damage	Temporary restoration of damages done for the smooth flow of traffic
9	327 E	Bearing, Long Girder, Cross Girder Damage, Diversion Surface Damage, Diversion Washout, Road Shoulder and Embankment Damage	Temporary restoration of damages done for the smooth flow of traffic
10	727A	Due to heavy rain, Road surface is damaged	Temporary restoration of damages done for the smooth flow of traffic
11	527B	Scouring of old minor bridge flooring, cutoff wall	Temporary restoration of damages done for the smooth flow of traffic
12	227	Approach damage and Flank damage	Temporary restoration of damages done for the smooth flow of traffic
13	333	Both Side Flank failed at many places	Temporary restoration of damages done for the smooth flow of traffic
14	80	Large and small potholes and patch	Temporary restoration of damages done for the smooth flow of traffic

SI. No.	NH No.	Type of Damage	Action taken
15	333A	Potholes and patch. Due to Water logging, Potholes formed with base failed in Stretches	Temporary restoration of damages done for the smooth flow of traffic
16	80	Due to Saturation of Subgrade Big Potholes formed. Due to Water logging, Potholes formed with base failed in Stretches	Temporary restoration of damages done for the smooth flow of traffic

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