

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 787  
ANSWERED ON 21<sup>ST</sup> JULY, 2022**

**UPGRADATION OF SHS INTO NHS IN UP**

**787. SHRI RITESH PANDEY:**

**Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

**be pleased to state:**

**(a) the criteria laid down for conversion/upgradation of various State Highways (SHs) into National Highways (NHs) in the country;**

**(b) the details of SHs identified for upgradation as NHs in the State of Uttar Pradesh under the National Highways Development Project (NHDP) along with the number of SHs upgraded to NHs thereunder so far;**

**(c) the present status of the work along with the date of completion of work of such upgraded SHs into NHs in the State of Uttar Pradesh?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

**(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)**

**(a) State roads, including State Highways (SHs), are declared as new National Highways (NHs) from time to time on the basis of well established principles. The criteria for State roads for declaration as new NHs may include some of the following: -**

**i. Roads running through length / breadth of the country.**

- ii. **Connecting adjacent countries, National Capitals with State Capitals / mutually the State Capitals, major ports, non-major ports, large industrial centers or tourist centers.**
- iii. **Roads having important strategic requirement in hilly and isolated area.**
- iv. **Arterial roads which enable sizeable reduction in travel distance and achieve substantial economic growth.**
- v. **Roads which help in opening up large tracts of backward area and hilly region.**
- vi. **Roads contributing towards achievement of National Highways grid of 100 km.**
- vii. **Synergy with PM GatiShakti National Master Plan (NMP).**

**(b) and (c) Balance work under National Highway Development Project (NHDP) has been subsumed under Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase-I approved by the Government in 2017.**

**About 710 km length of State roads, including SHs, have been notified as NHs in the State of Uttar Pradesh since 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2014 under Bharatmala Pariyojana.**

**65 projects in a length of 3,171 km costing about Rs. 1,04,700 Crores have been identified for development in the State of Uttar Pradesh under Bharatmala Pariyojana (including subsumed NHDP). Out of this, works in 2,167 km length of NHs have been appraised and awarded and works in about 1,100 km length of NHs have been completed so far. Entire Bharatmala Pariyojana works in the state of Uttar Pradesh are targeted for completion by 2027-28.**

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