GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO - 470 ANSWERED ON 25th July, 2024

ROAD PROJECTS SINCE 2023

470. DR. BHOLA SINGH:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has sought special permission to award road projects after slowdown since November 2023, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of projects for which permission was sought;

(c) the status of the greenfield highway projects, including their lengths and investments thereon;

(d) the total kilometers of roads awarded in the first quarter of 2023-24 compared to 2022-23; and

(e) the corrective steps being taken to address the slowdown in awarding road projects?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) No Sir. The Ministry is following normal process as per extant Government rules and regulations, for award of projects.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) 5 Expressways and 22 Access Controlled Highways, having total length of 9,860 km with approved / estimated project cost of Rs. 4,19,130 crore have been taken up by NHAI as greenfield corridors.

(d) 969 km and 612 km NH projects have been awarded during first quarter of 2022-23 and 2023-24 respectively.

(e) The Ministry is making all efforts to expedite the process of awarding new NH projects. Regular meetings are held with all concerned at various levels for the availability of necessary clearances / approvals and fulfilment of conditions precedent.

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