

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4137
ANSWERED ON 19TH DECEMBER, 2024**

ROAD DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN HINGOLI

4137. SHRI AASHTIKAR PATIL NAGESH BAPURAO:

Will the MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the current status of road development projects proposed/under construction in the Hingoli constituency, including the progress of National Highways, State Highways and rural roads in the region;**
- (b) whether any funds have been allocated for the improvement or expansion of roads in Hingoli during the current financial year and if so, the amount allocated and the timeline for completion;**
- (c) whether there are any specific plans to improve road connectivity between Hingoli and major cities such as Aurangabad, Nanded and Nagpur and to enhance transportation access to rural areas within Hingoli district, if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) the steps being taken to address road safety concerns in Hingoli, including measures to reduce accidents on key highways passing through the constituency and the construction of safety features like traffic signals, road dividers, and pedestrian crossings; and**
- (e) the plans, if any, for the construction of new roads, flyovers or bridges in Hingoli to improve connectivity with major cities and other districts?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (c) Government in Ministry of Road Transport and Highways is primarily concerned with the development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs) in the country. The development and maintenance of NHs is a continuous process and works for development and maintenance of NHs are sanctioned based on traffic requirements, inter-se priority and overall availability of funds. As on date, 3 No. of NH projects covering a length of 106 km and costing Rs. 606 crore are under implementation in Hingoli Parliamentary Constituency.

An amount of Rs. 11,887 crore has been allocated in the current year for development of NHs in the State of Maharashtra including Hingoli Parliamentary Constituency. All ongoing NH projects in Hingoli Parliamentary Constituency are under implementation with revised scheduled date for completion in June, 2025.

Construction of these NH projects will ensure smooth flow of traffic with better connectivity between Hingoli and major cities such as Aurangabad, Nanded and Nagpur as well as enhance transportation access to rural areas within Hingoli district. This will also ensure reduction in the travel time and vehicle operating cost with increased safety of the road users.

(d) Immediate short-term measures like provision of road markings, signages, crash barriers, raised pavement markers, delineators, closure of median openings, traffic calming measures, footpaths and pedestrian crossings in built-up areas, etc. are provided at identified accident spots on all NHs for reducing the road accidents including NHs in Hingoli Parliamentary Constituency. In addition to this, long term rectification measures involving improvement of road geometrics, junction improvements, spot widening of carriageway, foot over

bridges, construction of underpasses/overpasses, etc. are also provided on NHs for safety of the road users.

(e) The requirement of widening of NHs including bypasses, flyovers and reconstruction of bridges are assessed on case to case basis as per traffic requirements, available Right of Way (RoW), congestion in urban/built-up sections, functional requirement of cross-drainage works including bridges, present serviceability condition of the existing bridges, road safety considerations, etc. at the time preparation of Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) and provisioned in the approved DPRs of NH works including the works in the Hingoli Parliamentary Constituency.
