

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 644  
ANSWERED ON 28<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2024**

**WIDENING OF NATIONAL HIGHWAYS IN ASSAM**

**644. SHRI Ranjit Dutta:**

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

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**be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the National Highway stretches from Baihata Chariali to Mission Chariali and from Gohpur to North Lakhimpur in Assam are inconvenient for travel due to their narrow width, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the government has any plans to widen these National Highway stretches from two lanes to four lanes and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

**(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)**

(a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Government is aware of the demand for capacity augmentation of National Highway No. 15 particularly between Baihata Chariali and Mission Chariali which has presently two lane with paved shoulder configuration. To address the problem, a Project Management Consultant (PMC) has been engaged for evaluation of the widening of the Baihata Chariali to Mission Chariali stretch of NH 15. The alignment options are currently under finalization.

Gohpur to North Lakhimpur section of NH 15 has two lanes with paved shoulder configuration and the current traffic volume does not warrant immediate widening and capacity augmentation. Government takes up capacity augmentation of National Highways depending upon traffic volume, availability of resources and inter se priority.

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