

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1544  
ANSWERED ON 13<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2025**

**AYODHYA-VARANASI EXPRESSWAY**

**1544. SHRI LALJI VERMA:**

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

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

**be pleased to state:**

**(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration by the Government to construct an expressway connecting Ayodhya to Varanasi in Uttar Pradesh; and**

**(b) if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

**(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)**

**(a) and (b) The Government keeps on receiving/assessing proposals for declaration/ upgradation/ development of National Expressway (NEs). Decisions are taken based on the fulfillment of the criteria, requirement of connectivity, inter-se priority and synergy with PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan. As far as High Speed Connectivity between Ayodhya and Varanasi is concerned, options would be explored in consultation with the State Government.**

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