

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2425
ANSWERED ON 13TH MARCH, 2025**

TRAFFIC CONGESTION IN DELHI

2425. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether the traffic jams in Delhi have worsened during recent years and if so, the details thereof including contributing factors and the affected areas in Delhi;

(b) whether the Government has conducted any new study to reduce traffic congestion in Delhi and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether public transportation options have had an impact on reducing traffic congestion in Delhi and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether traffic jams in Delhi lead to economic losses/air pollution due to delays and if so, the details thereof including the estimated cost or impact on businesses and daily commuters;

(e) whether new urban planning initiatives are likely to be proposed to alleviate traffic issues in Delhi and if so, the details thereof along with timelines likely to be taken ; and

(f) the other steps taken by the Government to make traffic smooth/signal free on roads in Delhi?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (f) The Government in the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRT&H) is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs) in the country. Concerned States including National Capital Territory (NCT) of Delhi are responsible for development and maintenance of State roads.

The problem of increasing traffic congestion on the roads in Delhi is a complex issue involving diverse socio-economic issues, population growth, increasing number of vehicles, etc.

At present, the operational length under Delhi Metro network is 395 km and more than 71 lakh passengers utilize Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) network everyday. To assess the impact of shift of passengers from road to metro, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI) was engaged by DMRC to conduct a study. As per the study, number of vehicles reduced from the roads on daily basis for the year 2024 was 6,44,252.

Delhi Traffic Police conducted a survey in March, 2024 in which problem of traffic congestion was found in 134 location/stretch, primarily due to ongoing construction works by various civic agencies, encroachment and heavy volume of traffic. These were shared with concerned agencies in March, 2024 for taking up necessary remedial measures.

Besides this, Delhi Traffic Police also shared the lists of 128 bad conditioned/potholed roads and 97 damaged / encroached footpaths to the respective civic agencies in October 2024 for necessary remedial measures.

Government has taken up the comprehensive exercise of widening, upgradation and development of the arterial NH network in and around the NCT of Delhi, by taking up road projects of more than about Rs.51,000 Crore towards building new road infrastructure in and around NCT of Delhi. The projects completed and taken up in and around NCT of Delhi are annexed.

ANNEXURE**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2425 ANSWERED ON 13.03.2025 ASKED BY SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL REGARDING TRAFFIC CONGESTION IN DELHI**

The NHs projects completed and taken up in and around NCT of Delhi:-

Projects Completed:

S.No.	Project Name	Length (km.)	Cost (Cr.)
1	Eastern Peripheral Expressway (EPE)	135	12,000
2	Delhi Meerut Expressway	82	5,500
3	Dwarka Expressway (PKG-3 & 4)	18.96	4,087
4	6-Lane UER-II (Urban Extension Road) (PKG-3 & 4)	39.26	2,847
5	DND Interchange - Kalandikunj (along Yamuna) -Faridabad-Ballabgarh-Sohana (Pkg-2 & 3)	50	2,716
6	Delhi to Panipat	70	2,205
7	6-Lane Gurgaon to Sohna	21	2,009
8	Flyover & Underpass on Delhi-Gurugram	0	1,005
9	8 lane corridors from Dhaula-kuan to Airport	3	270
10	Elevated U-Turn near Ambiance Mall	2.78	103
Total		422	32,742

Projects taken up:

S.No.	Project Name	Length (Km.)	Cost (Cr.)	Target for Completion
1	6-Lane UER-II (Urban Extension Road) (PKG-1 & 2)	36.74	5153	June, 25
2	Dwarka Expressway (PKG-1 & 2)	10.1	4293	June, 25

3	6 lanes of Delhi (Akshardham) to intersection of Eastern Peripheral Expressway (Provisionally Completed)	31.6	3500	Provisionally Completed
4	Connectivity between IGI airport to Jewar Airport and also to Delhi Mumbai Expressway	32	2900	June, 26
5	DND Interchange – Kalandikunj (along Yamuna) -Faridabad-Ballabgarh-Sohana (Pkg-I)	9	1468	Oct, 25
6	4L Connector from Delhi Meerut Expressway (Km 50.000 of Pkg IV) to Km 8.520 of NH-235, (DME, PKG-V)	14.6	1081	Dec, 25
Total		134.04	18,395	
