GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3252 ANSWERED ON 20TH MARCH, 2025

NHs IN RAJASTHAN

†3252. Shri Ummeda Ram Beniwal: Shri Murari Lal Meena:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of National Highways (NHs) in Rajasthan at present and their operational status along with the current status of traffic density, maintenance/repair work thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has received proposals and granted inprinciple approval for the construction of new National Highways in the State of Rajasthan during the last ten years particularly in Barmer-Jaisalmer Parliamentary Constituency;
- (c) if so, the progress made thereof and the timeline for the commencement and completion of the said works;
- (d) the number of proposed NHs in Rajasthan including their length and the estimated expenditure on each such project along with the location-wise major routes thereof;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to approve such proposals and the time by which it would be done;
- (f) whether the Government is formulating any scheme to accord status of NH to major State highways passing through Dausa Parliamentary Constituency or upgrade them under new NHs in

Rajasthan and if so, the current status thereof along with the details of the proposed scheme; and

(g) whether the Government is implementing any specific scheme for the maintenance of the NHs keeping in view their present condition and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (g) The total number of National Highways (NHs) in Rajasthan at present is 53. Length of NHs in the State of Rajasthan has increased from about 7,646 km in 2014 to 10,733 km at present. The traffic densities on these NHs range from about 3000 PCU/day to about 1,00,000 PCU/day.

Development and maintenance of NHs, including NHs in the State of Rajasthan is a continuous process. Works on NHs are accordingly taken up depending upon requirements of connectivity, inter-se priority, traffic density and synergy with PM Gati Shakti framework to keep the NHs in traffic worthy conditions.

The details of projects on NHs awarded and constructed during last financial year and current financial year in the State of Rajasthan is as below:

Year	Awarded (in km)	Constructed (in km)
2023-24	531	868
2024-25*	98	761

^{*}Upto February 2025

The Maintenance and Repair (M&R) of NH stretches, where development works have commenced or Operation, Maintenance and Transfer (OMT) Concessions / Operation and Maintenance (O&M)

Contracts have been awarded, are the responsibility of the concerned Concessionaires / Contractors till the end of Defect Liability Period (DLP) / Concession Period.

For the remaining NH stretches, Government has taken policy decision to undertake maintenance works either through Performance based Maintenance Contract (PBMC) or through Short term Maintenance Contract (STMC).

The Government keeps on receiving proposals from various State Governments / Union Territories (UTs), including from the State Government of Rajasthan, for declaration / upgradation of State roads including State Highways (SHs), as NHs. The Government considers declaration of some of the State roads, including SHs, as NHs from time to time based on the requirement of connectivity, inter-se priority and synergy with PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan.
