

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3254
ANSWERED ON 20TH MARCH, 2025**

EXPANSION OF NH-17

3254. SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

(a) the number of trees felled for the expansion of a section of National Highway (NH)-17; and

(b) the number of trees that were transplanted and their survival rate?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) A total of 40181 trees (approx.) is planned to be felled for the expansion of National Highway (NH)-17. The tree felling activities are being carried out by the Forest Department, Government of Assam and National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd. (NHIDCL) has deposited the requisite amount for the felling of trees.

(b) Compensatory afforestation in lieu of trees felled is to be carried out by the Forest Department of Government of Assam out of the funds deposited by NHIDCL for the purpose.
