

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4526
ANSWERED ON 27TH MARCH, 2025**

CONVERSION OF TWO LANE ROAD TO FOUR LANE IN BHILWARA

†4526. SHRI DAMODAR AGRAWAL:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the standards and policy for converting State Highways into National Highways;

(b) the standards and policy for converting a two-lane road into a four-lane road; and

(c) whether the Government has received any request to convert the Bhilwara–Shahpura–Jahazpur–Deoli road from two-lanes to four-lanes and if so, the details thereof including the timeline set for its completion?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) and (b) The Government in Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH) is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs). State roads, including State Highways (SHs), are declared as NHs from time to time on the basis of well-established broad principles, including: -

- i. Connecting adjacent countries, National Capitals with State Capitals / mutually the State Capitals, major ports, non-major ports, large industrial centers or tourist centers.**

- ii. Roads having important strategic requirement in hilly and isolated area.**
- iii. Arterial roads which enable sizeable reduction in travel distance and achieve substantial economic growth.**
- iv. Roads which help in opening up large tracts of backward area and hilly region.**
- v. Roads contributing towards achievement of National Highways grid of 100 km.**
- vi. Synergy with PM GatiShakti National Master Plan (NMP).**

Works on notified NHs, including capacity augmentation to four / six / eight lane standards, are taken up based on the traffic density, connectivity requirement, condition of the road, inter-se priority, availability of funds and synergy with PM GatiShakti NMP.

(c) Total length of NHs in the State of Rajasthan at present is about 10,733 km. About 2,959 km length of State roads, including SHs, has been notified as NHs in the State of Rajasthan since April, 2014.

Road stretch from Shahpura to Jahazpur (39 km) is part of NH-148D and is currently two lane. Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for four laning of this stretch has been taken up.

At present, declaration of Bhilwara–Shahpura and Jahazpur–Deoli sections in the State of Rajasthan as NH is not under consideration.
