

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4588  
ANSWERED ON 27<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2025**

**MAINTENANCE OF NHs IN TRIPURA**

**4588. SHRI BIPLAB KUMAR DEB:**

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

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**be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the maintenance of National Highways passing through Tripura is reviewed at regular intervals; and**
- (b) if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

**(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)**

**(a) & (b) Yes sir. The development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs), including those passing through the State of Tripura, is reviewed regularly. Works on NHs are undertaken based on connectivity requirements, inter-se priority, traffic density and synergy with the PM Gati Shakti framework to ensure that NHs remain in traffic-worthy condition.**

**The Government has prioritized the maintenance of existing National Highways (NH) network and, inter-alia, evolved a mechanism to ensure Maintenance and Repair (M&R) of all NHs sections through an accountable maintenance agency. The Government has planned that all NHs sections should be under Maintenance, through one of the following mechanisms:**

- i. **Maintenance & Repair (M&R) of stretches of NHs, 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 the Defect Liability Period (DLP)/ Concession Period.**
- ii. **For all remaining sections of NHs stretches, Government has taken a policy decision to undertake maintenance works through Performance-Based Maintenance Contract (PBMC) or Short-Term Maintenance Contract (STMC).**

**Additionally, regular road inspections are carried out to assess road conditions, identify areas requiring maintenance or upgradation, and ensure that the highways remain safe, accessible, and well-maintained.**

**Details of NHs length in the State of Tripura as below:**

<b>Total NH length (in Km)</b>	<b>Length of Awarded/ Ongoing Development Works (in Km)</b>	<b>Length under DLP/ Concession Period (in Km)</b>	<b>Length Awarded/ Ongoing Maintenance Works (PBMC/ STMC/ IRQP) (in Km)</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
<b>793</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>Balance length has been handed over to National Highways Infrastructure Development Corporation (NHIDCL) on 01.01.2025 after maintenance of potholes/ depressions by State PWD.</b>

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