Government of India Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 5220

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QUESTION

Road and Railways Projects to Boost Economy of NER

- 5220. Shri Biplab Kumar Deb:
- Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:
- (a) the details regarding the Railway Projects and Road Infrastructure Projects that have been carried out in the North-Eastern Region during the last five years;
- (b) the amount of budget/funds allocated for the Railway and Road Projects in the North East, particularly in the State of Tripura; and
- (c) the anticipated degree to which the Rail and Road Infrastructure Projects will boost the economy of the North-Eastern States?

ANSWER

The Minister of State of Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region [Dr. Sukanta Majumdar]

(a) to (c) The details of the Railway and Road Infrastructure projects in the North Eastern Region (NER) during the last five years from 2019-20 to 2023-24 is as under:

SN	Name of Scheme	No. of Projects	Length (in Kms)	Sanctioned Cost (in ₹crore)
	Railway Line Constructed by Ministry of Railways	18	1,368	74,972
2	National Highways under Ministry of Road, Transport & Highways	-	6,806	77,654
3	PMGSY under Ministry of Rural Development	6,793	25,011	19,448.89
4	Roads under Ministry of DoNER	75	1255	4668

The railway projects are sanctioned Zonal Railway wise and not State-wise as the railway projects may span across state boundaries. However, the funds spent in respect of the State of Tripura by the MoRT&H, MoRD and MDoNER during the last five years from 2019-20 to 2023-24 for road projects are ₹4,988 crore, ₹606.71 crore and ₹347.82 crore respectively.

The improved road and railway infrastructure in the NER has led to increase in access to markets, tourism, cross-border trade, skill generation, creation of construction jobs, lower logistics costs, faster movement of man and materials, attracting private investments, urban development etc.
