

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 902
ANSWERED ON 24TH JULY, 2025**

**RE-INCLUSION OF ROAD SECTION IN NATIONAL HIGHWAY
902. SHRI DULU MAHATO:**

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any representation for re-inclusion of the stretch from Govindpur to Mahuda Mod of the erstwhile National Highway-32 into the National Highway, if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the stretch was de-notified from the National Highway and declared a State highway on the request of the State Government and was subsequently expanded to four lanes, if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the State Government lacks adequate resources for maintenance of the said road after its widening, resulting in deterioration of its condition;**
- (d) whether the alternative route from Govindpur to Purulia which currently passes through Rajganj and Katras has been notified as National Highway-18, if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) whether the Union Government is considering re-notifying this stretch as National Highway 18A and providing central assistance for its maintenance and development, if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (c) The Stretch from Govindpur to the junction connecting NH-18 at Mahuda Mod is no longer a part of National Highway as the

stretch has been bypassed from Mahuda Mod to Rajganj (on NH-19) during the development of NH-18 by National Highways Authority of India (NHAI). However, as per information provided by the Government of Jharkhand, the stretch from Govindpur to Mahuda Mod has been made to four lane by the Government of Jharkhand and is being maintained in traffic worthy condition.

(d) & (e) Route from Govindpur to Purulia via Rajganj & Katras is already part of NH-18 and NH-19.
