

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

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 90
ANSWERED ON 05TH FEBRUARY, 2026**

NEW GREEN HIGHWAY PROJECTS IN MITHILA REGION

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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Green Highway projects approved across the country during the last five years and their current status thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to approve new Green Highway projects for Mithila region, particularly for Darbhanga district including critical routes such as via Biraul–Saharsa–Bheja (Madhubani) and via Gandoul–Saharsa;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the financial allocations, construction timelines and physical progress in this regard so as to ensure faster, safer and more sustainable road connectivity for rural and semi-urban areas in Mithila region; and

(d) whether the Government is seriously considering to develop this region as a road transport hub of national importance to accelerate the economic and social development of North Bihar and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 90 ANSWERED ON 05.02.2026 ASKED BY SHRI GOPAL JEE THAKUR REGARDING NEW GREEN HIGHWAY PROJECTS IN MITHILA REGION

(a) The Government in Ministry of Road Transport and Highways is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs). The Government has inter-alia decided to focus on development of Greenfield Access controlled National High Speed Corridors (HSCs) / Expressways for improving the logistics efficiency of the country. Access-controlled National HSCs / Expressways in about 10,665 km length have been approved so far, including 7,967 km of corridors (primarily greenfield) approved during the last five years and current year. Total 6,382 km has been constructed so far, out of which 3,419 km length has already been operationalized.

(b) to (d) Government has taken up upgradation of Rahika – Rampatti – Biraul - Bheja section (41 km) of NH-527A at cost of ₹565 Crore as well as construction of Major Bridge across River Kosi on Bheja – Bakaur section (13 km) of NH-527A at cost of ₹1,102 Crore, with physical progress of 8% and 88% respectively. Further, upgradation of Bakaur – Parsarma section (6 km) of NH-527A and Parsarma – Gandaol – Bangaon (Saharsa) section (28 km) of NH-327 at cost of ₹471 Crore has been substantially completed. However, the section from Biraul to Bangaon (Saharsa) via Baluaha Ghat is not a National Highway.

Following National High Speed Corridors / Expressways are under implementation / bidding / appraisal / Detailed Project Report (DPR) stage in the State of Bihar, including Mithila region: -

- i. Amas Darbhanga**
- ii. Varanasi Ranchi Kolkata**
- iii. Bakarpur-Bettiah**
- iv. Patna Ara Sasaram**
- v. Kishanganj Bahadurganj**

- vi. Patna Purnea**
- vii. Buxar Bhagalpur**
- viii. Gorakhpur Siliguri**
- ix. Raxaul Haldia**

At present, 66 NHs projects, including Access-controlled National HSCs / Expressways, in 1,872 km length costing ₹66,617 Crore are under construction in the State of Bihar, including Mithila region, out of which 1,013 km has been constructed. These projects are under various stages of construction with scheduled completion in a phased manner by Financial Year (FY) 2028-29.

The Government has incurred expenditure of ₹49,884 Crore on development and maintenance of NHs in the State of Bihar, including Mithila region, since April, 2020.

The above developments have increased the connectivity and accessibility of rural, urban and economic centres to the NHs across the State of Bihar, including Mithila region, and also increased the logistics efficiency.
