

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 196
ANSWERED ON 29TH JANUARY, 2026**

GREENFIELD HIGHWAY CORRIDOR IN MAHARASHTRA

196. SHRI BHASKAR MURLIDHAR BHAGARE:

DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:

SMT. SUPRIYA SULE:

PROF. VARSHA EKNATH GAIKWAD:

SHRI MOHITE PATIL DHAIRYASHEEL RAJSINH:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has approved a greenfield highway corridor from Nashik to Akkalkot in Maharashtra under the PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan;**
- (b) if so, the total length of the project, districts to be covered and the expected timelines for its completion;**
- (c) whether any assessment has been made of the project's impact on regional connectivity, logistics efficiency and industrial development in Nashik, Ahilyanagar, Solapur and adjoining districts, if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) the measures taken to ensure timely land acquisition, environmental clearances and rehabilitation of affected families; and**
- (e) whether similar east-west connectivity corridors are proposed in other regions to improve freight movement and reduce travel time, if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (b) Government of India has approved the greenfield corridor from Nashik to Akkalkot in Maharashtra of length of 374 km on 31.12.2025. The project is passing through the district of Nashik, Ahilyanagar, Beed, Dharashiv and Solapur. The completion period is 3 years after commencement of the project.

(c) Yes Sir. The assessment has been made and the details are as under:

- i. There will be significant improvement in regional road connectivity and integration with national corridors.**
- ii. There will be major reductions in travel time (14 hrs) and distance (saving of about 201 km) for freight and passenger traffic travelling from Surat to Chennai. There will be saving in time of about 4 hrs and distance of about 51 km for the journey between Nashik- Akkalkot.**
- iii. There will be large scale employment generation during project implementation.**

(d) Land Acquisition (LA) is in advanced stage. Notification under Section 3(A) of NH Act 1956 for about 90% land, under Section 3D for about 80% and 3G for about 40% land has been completed. The State Government of Maharashtra has been requested to expedite LA process.

(e) Government keeps on undertaking DPR/feasibility study to upgrade the NH network with aim to improve the logistic efficiency and reduce the travel time in line with principles of PM Gati-Shakti National Master Plan.
