

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2232
ANSWERED ON 12TH FEBRUARY, 2026**

CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS UNDER BHARATMALA PARIYOJANA

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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Bharatmala Pariyojana projects sanctioned and completed so far, along with their length (in kilometres) and the budget expenditure incurred so far, State-wise, particularly for Tamil Nadu and the length of projects yet to be awarded;

(b) the total length of roads constructed or upgraded under Bharatmala Pariyojana during the last three years, along with the estimated cost and timelines;

(c) whether the Government has assessed the impact of Bharatmala Pariyojana on freight efficiency, regional connectivity and local economic development;

(d) the steps taken to ensure timely completion of pending projects and resolution of land acquisition or environmental clearance issues;

(e) the targets fixed for road construction under the said scheme and the physical progress made against the targets;

(f) whether the Government has not been able to construct the determined length of roads against the targets fixed under Bharatmala Pariyojana so far, if so, the details thereof along with reasons therefor; and

(g) the measures adopted to ensure that local employment, small contractors, and MSMEs benefit from Bharatmala Pariyojana projects?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)**

(a) to (b) Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase-I was approved by the Government in 2017 covering a length of 34,800 km across the country at an estimated outlay of Rs. 5,35,000 Crore. Under the program, projects covering a total length of 26,425 km had been awarded and out of this, 21,783 km has already been constructed upto December 2025. The state-wise details are annexed.

New sanctions of projects under Phase-I of Bharatmala Pariyojana have been discontinued. The expenditure incurred on Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase-I till 31st January 2026 by NHAI is Rs.5,30,758.24 crore.

(c) The study conducted by Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Bangalore to evaluate the impact of Bharatmala Pariyojana indicates positive effects across multiple sectors. Economically, household income and expenditure has increased. Logistics efficiency has improved with reduced costs. Businesses have benefited from better access to markets and factories. Socially, travel time to schools and healthcare facilities has decreased, enhancing accessibility. Overall, the study suggests that Bharatmala Pariyojana has significantly contributed to socio-economic growth. As per the study conducted by IIM Bangalore, Bharatmala Pariyojana has demonstrated significant socio-economic benefits.

(d) to (f) Out of 26,425 km awarded length under Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase I, 21,783 km has been constructed upto December 2025. The primary reasons for delay in National Highway (NH) projects are issues / bottlenecks relating to land acquisition, delay in getting statutory clearances / permissions, utility shifting, encroachment removal, law & order, non-availability of construction material / minerals, poor performance of Contractor / Concessionaire, and Force Majeure events like Covid-19 pandemic, heavy rainfall, floods, cyclone, landslides / avalanches, etc. To expedite project execution, various initiatives have been undertaken. These include streamlining and expediting the land acquisition process through Bhoomi Rashi portal, revamping the Parivesh Portal through Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change to expedite forest and environmental clearances, enabling online approval of General Arrangement Drawings (GAD) for Road over Bridges (ROBs) and Road under Bridges (RUBs) from the Railways, and conducting review meetings at various

levels with all stakeholders, including State Governments. The Government is taking all necessary steps for timely completion of these projects.

(g) Various initiatives of the Government supports local contractors, indigenous manufacturing and infrastructure development to promote self-reliance in the transport and logistics sector. The initiative facilitates the use of local construction materials, machinery & services, thereby strengthening the local manufacturing system, reinforcing the idea of Make in India and Atmanirbhar Bharat.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2232 ANSWERED ON 12TH FEBRUARY, 2026 ASKED BY SHRI THARANIVENTHAN M S, SHRI BAPI HALDAR AND SHRI HANUMAN BENIWAL REGARDING 'CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS UNDER BHARATMALA PARIYOJANA'.

State	Total Length (km)	Length Awarded (km)	Length Constructed till 31st Dec' 25 (km)
Andhra Pradesh	2,525	1,936	1,428
Assam	433	431	411
Bihar	1,572	1,159	743
Chhattisgarh	571	471	374
Delhi	203	203	191
Goa	26	26	26
Gujarat	1,577	1,194	1,049
Haryana	1,058	1,058	992
Himachal Pradesh	167	167	116
Jammu & Kashmir	433	251	164
Jharkhand	1,000	801	521
Karnataka	2,059	1,603	1,199
Kerala	1,126	708	523
Madhya Pradesh	3,063	2,017	1,731
Maharashtra	3,029	2,174	1,975
Manipur	635	635	521
Meghalaya	170	170	137
Mizoram	593	593	524
Nagaland	208	208	164
Odisha	1,586	967	941
Punjab	1,764	1,553	822
Rajasthan	2,503	2,360	2,260
Tamil Nadu	2,414	1,476	1,320
Telangana	1,719	1,026	915
Tripura	94	94	69
Uttar Pradesh	3,126	2,495	2,120
Uttarakhand	273	264	193
West Bengal	874	385	356
Total	34,800	26,425	21,783