

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 944  
ANSWERED ON 05<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2026**

**PARASNATH ROPEWAY PROJECT**

**944. SHRI DULU MAHATO:**

**Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS  
सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री**

**be pleased to state:**

**(a) whether the Government is aware that Parasnath Hill, adjoining Dhanbad, is the largest and one of the most important Jain pilgrimage sites in the country, attracting lakhs of devotees and tourists across the country and abroad every year;**

**(b) whether a ropeway project to improve access to the said site has been proposed through National Highways Logistics Management Limited (NHLML), a 100 per cent subsidiary of the National Highways Authority of India;**

**(c) whether the Detailed Project Report (DPR) of the said project is nearly finalised but has been facing delays, thereby causing inconvenience to pilgrims and tourists;**

**(d) whether the Government proposes to include the Parasnath Ropeway Project under the nationwide ropeway programme and invite tenders before March; and**

**(e) the extent to which early implementation of this project is expected to facilitate pilgrims, boost tourism, strengthen the local economy and enhance the cultural significance of Jharkhand at the national level?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

**(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)**

**(a) to (e) The development of transportation infrastructure including ropeways is a continuous process. The Government receives proposals from various State Governments from time to time, including from Jharkhand. Decisions are taken based on techno-financial outcome of the Detailed Project Report (DPR), fulfilment of the criteria, requirement of connectivity, traffic density and synergy with PM Gati Shati National Master Plan.**

**The Parasnath Ropeway project was proposed by the State Government of Jharkhand, and a pre-feasibility study was initiated through National Highways Logistics Management Limited (NHLML). However, the project has been de-prioritized due to the receipt of representations opposing the proposed ropeway.**

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