

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2183**  
**ANSWERED ON 10<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2016**

**ROAD CONNECTIVITY IN HILLY AREAS**

2183. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:  
ADV. NARENDRA KESHAV SAWAIKAR:  
SHRI AJAY TAMTA:

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

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken special measures to improve the road connectivity in hilly States of the country including border road network in Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details and the funds provided for construction/upgradation/maintenance of National Highways in Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh and UP since April, 2015 till date?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE  
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) and (b) The Ministry is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs) in the country, which is a continuous process; works on NHs, including those in hilly areas, are accordingly taken up as per inter se priority, traffic density and availability of funds.

The Ministry has, also, taken up development of roads under Special Accelerated Road Development Programme for the North East Region (SARDP-NE) including Arunachal Pradesh Package of Roads for improvement of road connectivity in States of North Eastern region.

Further, the Ministry has taken up detailed review of National Highways (NHs) network in the country including road network in Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh, with a view to improve the road connectivity to coastal / border areas, backward areas, religious places, tourist places, construction / rehabilitation / widening of about 1,500 major bridges and 208 Railway Over Bridges (ROBs) / Railway Under Bridges (RUBs) on NHs, improvement of newly declared NHs providing connectivity to District Head Quarters, Connectivity Improvement Program for Char-Dham (Kedarnath, Badrinath, Yamunothri & Gangotri in Uttarakhand) under proposed Bharatmala Pariyojana.

(c) The details of funds provided for development and maintenance of NHs in Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh and UP since April, 2015 is annexed.

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2183 ANSWERED ON 10.03.2016 ASKED BY SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH AND OTHERS REGARDING ROAD CONNECTIVITY IN HILLY AREAS**

The details of funds provided for development and maintenance of NHs in Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh and UP since April, 2015

(Rs. in Crore)

Sl. No.	State	NH(O)		Maintenance and Repair	
		Allocation	Expenditure*	Allocation	Expenditure*
1	Himachal Pradesh	101.00	100.95	84.33	56.27
2	Uttar Pradesh	331.00	328.11	202.48	183.60
3	Uttarakhand	189.24	184.99	82.93	45.34

\*Expenditure upto February,2016

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