GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 311 ANSWERED ON 25TH FEBRUARY, 2016

MINIMUM WAGES FOR TOLL EMPLOYEES

311. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

सडक परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

- (a) whether toll employees working in toll collection centres at highways have been covered under Minimum Wages Act;
- (b) if so, the details of rates of minimum wages fixed for the toll employees of various categories employed by toll collecting contractors;
- (c) whether identity cards, pay slips are provided to toll employees by toll contractors and NHAI and their working hours are fixed, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the number of toll booths in the country, State-wise; and
- (e) the number of such roads in Gujarat and Rajasthan on which National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) collects toll?

ANSWER

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

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- (a) to (c) As per the user fee collection contract for public funded fee plazas of NHAI, the Contractor is to pay to all of its personnel deployed at the fee plaza as per the Minimum Wages Act, 1948. However, fixation of minimum wages is beyond the purview of this Ministry. In fact, the Contractor is bound to comply with all statutory provisions related to employees as is required under the law in force.
- (d) A State-wise list of number of fee plazas is at Annexure-I.
- (e) The details of National Highways stretches on which NHAI collects fee in Gujarat and Rajasthan are as under:-

State	Number of National Highways stretches
Gujarat	30
Rajasthan	29

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 311 FOR ANSWER ON 25.02.2016 ASKED BY SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL REGARDING MINIMUM WAGES FOR TOLL EMPLOYEES.

STATE-WISE LIST OF NUMBER OF TOLL PLAZAS

States	No. of toll plaza as on 31.12.2015
Andhra Pradesh	28
Bihar	13
Chhatisgarh	4
Delhi	3
Gujarat	35
Haryana	9
Jammu & Kashmir	3
Jharkhand	3
Karnataka	30
Kerala	3
Madhya Pradesh	21
Maharashtra	32
North-East	3
Odisha	8
Punjab	12
Rajasthan	38
Tamilnadu	43
Telangana	11
Uttar Pradesh	43
West Bengal	15
Grand Total	357
