

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3067
ANSWERED ON 06TH AUGUST, 2026**

OUTSTANDING DEBT ON NHAI

3067. Dr. GUMMA THANUJA RANI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

a) the details of the outstanding debt of the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) as on March 31, 2026 and the interest savings achieved through debt pre-payment;

(b) whether Government has assessed the impact of debt reduction measures on the pace of awarding new National Highway projects in Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) The details of outstanding debt of National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) as on 31st March 2026 are as follows:

- i. Bonds – Rs. 1,96,217 Crore**
- ii. Term Loans – Rs. 6,059 Crore**

iii. Total Outstanding Debt - Rs.2,02,276 Crore

The interest savings achieved through debt pre-payment is Rs. 34,369 Crore

(b) & (c) Debt raised/prepayment by NHAI is for overall projects entrusted to the Authority and not state/ project specific. There has been no immediate impact on project implementation or pace of awarding projects on account of debt reduction measures. In future, the debt reduction would make liquidity available to meet expenditure on projects to be taken up.
