

to augment the container handling facilities at Kandla, which is under examination. At Vadinar and Porbandar, there is no proposal to provide container handling facilities.

**Development of National Highways into Four Lanes**

\*247. SHRI GOVINDRAM MIRI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of National Highways in various States particularly in Madhya Pradesh widened/proposed to be widened into four lanes during the years 1994-95 and 1995-96, State-wise;

(b) the total number of districts so far benefited in the State; and the total amount earmarked for the purpose; and

(c) the policy/criteria laid down for selection of National Highways to be

widened into four lanes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI M. RAJASEKARA MURTHY): (a) The details of National Highways in various States including Madhya Pradesh which are widened or proposed to be widened into four-lanes during 1994-95 and 1995-96 are at statement (see below).

(b) A sum of Rs. 10,296.62 lakhs has been sanctioned for four laning works in Indore-Dewas section of NH-3 in Madhya Pradesh under Externally Aided Scheme.

(c) Widening to four-lane is considered when daily traffic exceeds 15,000 Passenger Car Units, subject to availability of funds and the *inter-se* priorities.

**Statement**

*A. State-wise details of four laning in progress during 1994-95 and 1995-96*

S.No.	State	NH No.	Length (Km)gr.
1.	Andhra Pradesh	5	46
2.	Gujarat	NE-1 8, 8A, 8C	93 52
3.	Haryana	15	160 57
4.	Orissa	5	28
5.	Punjab	1	40
6.	Rajasthan	8	86
7.	Uttar Pradesh	2	106
8.	West Bengal	2	65
9.	Kerala	47	37
10.	Karnataka	7	25

*B. Details of four laning proposed during 1995-96*

1.	Andhra Pradesh	5 9	93 13
2.	Assam	37	5

S.No	State	NH No.	Length (Km)gr.
3.	Bihar	2	43
4.	Gujarat	8 8c	13 5
5.	Haryana	8	71
6.	Madhya Pradesh	3	50
7.	Maharashtra	4 8	3 60
8.	Orissa	5	39
9.	Rajasthan	8	55
10.	West Bengal	2 35	78 5
11.	Uttar Pradesh	24 2	33 6

**National Technology Mission  
on Telecommunications**

\*248. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:  
SHRI BHUBANESWAR  
KALITA:

Will the Minister of  
COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to  
state:

(a) whether National Technology  
Mission launched in April, 1986 has  
achieved its goals;

(b) if so, what is the number of, digital  
trunk and automatic exchanges which have  
been modernised and how many public  
telephones in urban areas with STD/ISD  
facilities have been installed and how many  
Directory Enquiry Services in major cities  
and Fault Repair Services have been  
computerised; and

(c) what is the mechanism of providing  
STD/ISD/Public Telephones in Urban as  
well as rural area

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE  
MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS  
(SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details are furnished as  
under:

(i) No. of digital—249 (As on date)  
trunk

exchanges  
modernised

(ii) No. of—7851 (from  
automatic 1.4.1992 to  
exchanges 31.3.1995)  
modernised

(iii) Public —1,02,345 STD  
Telephone Public telephones  
with STD/ have been  
ISD facilities installed have in  
urban areas been installed in the  
country as on 31.10.1995.

(iv) Directory —64 major cities  
Enquiry including  
Service in metropolitan  
major cities cities,  
that have been  
computerised