

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) to (e) The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) is in process of engagement of consultant to select three locations out of 12 identified potential locations for setting of weigh-in motion bridge and to suggest suitable technology. The list of identified potential locations is enclosed as statement.

Statement

The Identified Potential Locations for setting of weigh-in motion bridge

S. No	National Highway	Location Proposed	Section/State
1.	1	Karnal Toll Plaza	Panipat-Jalandhar
2	1	Shambhu Toll Plaza	Panipat-Jalandhar
3.	1	Doraha Toll Plaza	Panipat-Jalandhar
4.	2'	Proposed Toll Plaza near Panagarh	Jharkhand
5	2	Asansol (Garui Junction) Toll Plaza	West Bengal
6	8	Just after municipal limits of Mumbai	
7.	8	Ahmedabad Toll Plaza (on NH-8)	
8	5	Vempadu Toll Plaza	
9.	5	Any Toll Plaza near Vijayawada	
10.	8A	Samakhiyali Toll Plaza	
11.	60	Near the border of West Bengal-Orissa on Balsara-Laxannath Section	
12.	5	Girosola, Near the border of Andhra Pradesh-Orissa	

Turnaround Time for Container ships

2525. SHRI RAHUL BAJAJ: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the turnaround time for container ships in various Indian ports and its comparison with international best practice; and

(b) the plan for reduction in this turnaround time?

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THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) The average turnaround time for container ships at major ports handling containerised cargo in India is given below:—

Name of the Port	Average Turn Round Time of Container	
	Ships (in days) during 2005-06	
Kolkata		
Kolkata Dock System (KDS)		3.09
Haldia Dock Complex (HDC)		1.91
Visakhapatnam		0.55
Chennai		1.40
Tuticorin		1.02
Cochin		1.32
Jawaharlal Nehru		1.98
Mumbai		2.54
Kandla		2.42

(b) The average turn round time *inter-alia* depends on the infrastructure facilities at the ports. Improvement of the infrastructure of major ports in terms of loading and unloading of goods and other facilities in the country is an ongoing process. Under the National Maritime Development Programme (NMDP), a total number of 276 projects in the major ports involving development of berths, deepening of channels, equipment upgradation and modernization, rail and road connectivity and other associated projects are planned to be implemented by 2011 -12

National Road Safety Council meeting

2526. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government held a National Road Safety council meeting in Shimla, recently;

(b) what were the conclusions of this meeting;

(c) the names of the participants;

(d) whether any decision was taken to declare a "No-Accident Zone" on some highways; and