

Upgradation of NH-17 and 47 into four lane traffic in Kerala

552. SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the State of Kerala submitted any proposal for the upgradation NH-17 and 47 into four lane traffic;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) to (c) Entire length of NH-17 & NH-47 aggregating to 838 km. is planned to be four laned in the State of Kerala, of which 78 km. has already been four laned. Four laning of the balance length is targeted for completion by December, 2013.

Upgradation of State Highways into National Highways in Tamil Nadu

553. SHRI A. ELAVARASAN: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has received any representation for upgradation and declaration of State Highways into National Highways in Tamil Nadu;
- (b) if so, whether Government proposes to upgrade State Highways into National Highways during the current financial year;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The requirement of resources for development of existing National Highways is huge as compared to availability of resources. Hence, at present, emphasis is being given for development of roads already declared as National Highways instead of declaring more roads as National Highways.

Funds for maintenance of NHs in MP

†554. SHRI RAGHUNANDAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether funds were provided for maintenance of National Highways in Madhya Pradesh from 2003 to 2009;
- (b) if not the reasons for not providing the funds;
- (c) if so, the details of the funds provided, year-wise; and
- (d) the amount spent from the funds provided?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) to (d) The amount allocated and utilised for maintenance of National Highways in the State of Madhya Pradesh during the years 2003 to 2009 are as under :

Sl.No.	Year	Allocation	Expenditure
		(Rs.in crore)	(Rs. in crore)
1.	2003-2004	57.49	53.18
2.	2004-2005	59.49	53.76
3.	2005-2006	56.42	53.44
4.	2006-2007	58.70	52.65
5.	2007-2008	58.38	57.95
6.	2008-2009	57.59	55.65

Amount released for National highways

555. SHRI RAMA CHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount released for the National Highways, including Golden Quadrilateral, East-West, North-South Corridor during the last five years and percentage of utilization; and

(b) the amount released to Orissa, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, West Bengal and Assam during the last five years, State-wise and Road-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) The year-wise total amount allocated for development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs) including roads under Golden Quadrilateral, East-West and North-South Corridors for the years 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09, amount utilized and percentage of utilization is given below:

(Amount Rs. In crore)

Year	For Development of NHs			For Maintenance and Repairs of NHs		
	Total amount allocated	Total amount utilized	Percentage of utilization	Total amount allocated	Total amount utilized	Percentage of utilization
2004-05	5777.50	5124.04	88.69	745.56	678.95	91.07
2005-06	9001.75	8846.81	98.28	868.10	838.34	96.57
2006-07	10700.34	10609.48	99.15	814.38	784.56	96.34
2007-08	11195.11	11134.24	99.46	1001.68	981.36	97.97
2008-09	12460.21	12433.68	99.79	974.32	828.80 *	85.06 *

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