

- (b) whether it is the shortest as against that of other States;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor and whether this length will be increased;
- (d) whether Madhya Pradesh Government has submitted a proposal to change some National Highways into four-lane under the 'Pradhan Mantri Bharat Jodo Pariyojna'; and
- (e) if so, when will the above proposal be approved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) The length of North-South and East-West Corridors in the State of Madhya Pradesh is 653 kilometres.

- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) Does not arise.
- (d) There is no on-going project named as 'Pradhan Matri Bharat Jodo Pariyojna'.
- (e) Does not arise.

#### Bypass on NH 3

†1298. SHRI RAGHUNANDAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is proposed to build Gwalior Nagar bypass on National Highway number 3;
- (b) if so, by when the construction work will begin;
- (c) whether the construction of Mahu Nagar bypass on National Highway number 3 was proposed in Eighth Five Year Plan;
- (d) if so, action taken so far for its construction;
- (e) whether the construction of a bypass for Sivani Nagar on National Highway number 6, is proposed; and
- (f) if so, the action taken so far for its construction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Construction of Gwalior Bypass connecting NH-3 and NH-75 has been taken up and the work has commenced in April, 2007.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. Construction of Mhow bypass on NH-3 is in progress and is expected for completion by September, 2009.

(e) and (f) There is no such bypass proposed on NH-6. However, bypass to Seoni town on NH-7 has been taken up in November, 2007 and is anticipated to be completed by June, 2010.

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