

Bad state of NH-42 in Orissa

729. SHRI MANGALA KISAN: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the stretch of NH-42 from Sambalapur to Angul to Manguli in Orissa is in very bad state;
- (b) if so, the amount proposed to be spent on repairs and the amount that has been spent for the last five years; and
- (c) by when the said National Highway would be four-laned?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) National Highway No. 42 is presently in traffic worthy condition. However, a large number of over loaded vehicles are causing damage to the road.

(b) Two works amounting to Rs. 6.33 crore have been sanctioned for repair of National Highway No. 42 during the year 2009-10 and during the last five years, a sum of Rs. 23.65 crores have already been spent for repair and maintenance of NH-42.

(c) At present, there is no proposal for four laning of this National Highway.

Dilapidated condition of NH-215 in Orissa

730. SHRI MANGALA KISAN: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the stretch of NH-215 between Panikoili to Raja Munda in Orissa is in a dilapidated condition;
- (b) the amount spent during the last five years in repairing the stretch; and
- (c) by when the said work would be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) National Highway No. 215 is in traffic worthy condition. However, its condition is deteriorating due to plying of over-loaded vehicles carrying iron ore.

(b) to (c) A sum of Rs. 30.12 crores has spent during the last five years and the current year for repair and maintenance of NH-215.

Not providing sovereign guarantee for raising funds from international financial institutions by NHAI

731. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has declined to provide sovereign guarantee for funds raised by the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) from multilateral financial institutions like World Bank, Asian Development Bank, etc.;