(c) the amount estimated to be shell out by Government for this project;

(d) whether it is also a fact that any target of construction of road under this project has been fixed;

- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the names of the districts of Uttar Pradesh included in this project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) to (c) This Ministry is primarily responsible for the development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs). The Government has not formulated any specific scheme as such to connect NHs to several districts of the country. However, the Ministry has formulated a Programme known as "Special Accelerated Road Development Programme for the North-East Region (SARDP-NE)" including Arunachal Pradesh Package mainly to provide connectivity to all the State Capitals and District Headquarters in the North-East Region. It envisages two/four laning of about 9,740 km length of roads (4,984 km of NHs and 4,756 km of State roads). Out of this, Phase-A of SARDP-NE has been approved involving improvement of 2,596 km length of roads (1,839 km NH and 757 km State Roads) for a total estimated cost of Rs. 14,903 crore, which is to be met from budgetary allocation. Also, the Arunachal Pradesh Package involving improvement of 2,319 km length of roads (1,472 km of NHs and 847 km of State Roads) has also been approved for implementation for a total estimated cost of Rs. 12,500 crore, which is to be met from budgetary allocation. Phase-B of SARDP-NE has been approved for preparation of Detailed Project Reports (DPR) involving 4,825 km length of roads (1,673 km NH and 3,152 km State Roads).

(d) and (e) Phase-A of SARDP-NE is targeted for completion by March 2014. The Arunachal Pradesh Package is targeted for completion by March 2015.

(f) There are no other such specific schemes to link districts in other States of the country with NHs, including the State of Uttar Pradesh.

Concretization of NHs

†1488. SHRI Y. P. TRIVEDI: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is now contemplating to concretize all National Highways;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the details of amount required by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) No Sir, there is no proposal to concretize all National Highways.

[†]Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Enforcement of new rules for NHs

1489. SHRI KAPTAN SINGH SOLANKI: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken any decision regarding the enforcement of new rules for different schemes of National Highways;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of National Highways widened and strengthened by Government during the last two years; and

(d) the details of the target for the construction of National Highways every year by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The number of National Highways no which works of widening and strengthening have been taken up during the last two years, *i.e.* 2007-08 and 2008-09 is given in statement (*See* below).

(d) The details of targets fixed for construction of National Highways during the last two years and current year are as under :

SI.	Name of the scheme	Targets for	Targets for	Targets for
No		the year	the year	the year
		2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
1.	Widening single lane to two lanes (kms)	919.00	1176.00	1320.95
2.	Strengthening of existing weal two lane pavement (kms)	577.00	706.00	1058.08
3.	Widening to four / six lanes (kms)	2919.00	3570.85	3244.50
4.	Improvement of riding quality (kms)	1602.00	1350.00	2510.31
5.	Construction of missing links (kms)	22.00	26.00	8.80
6.	Improvement to low grade sections (kms)	25.00	80.00	20.03
7.	Construction of bypasses (Nos)	14	25	19
8.	Construction/ rehabilitation of bridges (Nos)	112	95	134