

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N.SINGH): (a) and (b) The Government has approved improvement of 5565 km roads (1202 km National Highways and 4363 km State Roads) in 34 Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected districts in 8 States at an estimated cost of Rs. 7300 crore. Ministry has so far sanctioned estimates for 156 road stretches covering 4141 km length and costing Rs. 4810 crore, out of total 202 road stretches. Work on total 98 road stretches covering 2629 km length costing Rs. 3036 crore have been awarded. State-wise status of sanctions and award of works is given in the Statement (See below). The project is likely to be completed by March, 2013.

Statement

State-wise status of sanctions and award of works

Sl.No.	State	Works sanctioned			Works awarded		
		No.	Length (in km)	Cost (Rs. crore)	No.	Length (in km)	Cost (Rs. crore)
1	Andhra Pradesh	20	467	614	17	395	476
2	Bihar	38	581	534	32	509	488
3	Chhattisgarh	36	1490	1796	25	989	1162
4	Jharkhand	11	432	529	1	55	80
5	Madhya Pradesh	5	144	118	3	80	66
6	Maharashtra	33	420	411	13	180	158
7	Orissa	11	540	771	7	421	606
8	Uttar Pradesh	2	67	37	0	0	0
TOTAL		156	4141	4810	98	2629	3036

Chinese investment in road projects

†293. SHRI JAI PRAKASH: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(a) whether during the visit to China he had invited Chinese investors to come to India and invest in road projects in the country;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Chinese investors to this proposal/invitation;

(c) whether Government has received any proposal from Chinese investors so far; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N.SINGH): (a) and (b) Minister for Road Transport and Highways during his visit to China invited Chinese investors and developers to invest and develop road projects in India. An encouraging response was received to this invitation.

(c) and (d) Chinese companies have already shown an interest in investing in several road sector projects in India. For example M/s Jiangsu provincial Transportation Engineering Group Co. Ltd. in Joint Venture with M/s. Ramkey Infrastructure Ltd. submitted RFQ applications for highway projects in the following stretches:

- (i) Srinagar-Banihal (NH 1A)
- (ii) Jammu-Udhampur (NH 1A)
- (iii) Quazigund-Banihal (NH 1A)
- (iv) Chenani-Nashri (NH 1A)
- (v) Udampur-Ramban (NH 1A)
- (vi) Ramban-Banihal (NH 1A) and
- (vii) Motihari-Raxaul (NH 28A)

Srinagar-Banihal project has been awarded to M/s Ramkey Infrastructure Ltd. - M/s. Jiangsu Provincial Transportation Engineering Group Co. Ltd. Consortium

**Road accidents *vis-a-vis* compensation to victims
in Sonbhadra district of U.P.**

294. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state: