

[18 August, 2005]

RAJYA SABHA

(ii) List of Inter State Connectivity Proposals

Sr. No.	Subject/Km.	Estimated Amount (Rs. in Cr.)
1	2	3
1.	Palakkad-Govindapuram-Pollachi Road	19.00
2.	Kozhikode-Nitambut-Gudattur Road by providing MB & AC between Km. 38/200 and 103/600 and extension of culverts 1st reach from Km. 38/200 to 63/00	11.00
3.	Mannarkad Chinnathadagam Road Km. 0/00 to 52/692	4.68
TOTAL		34.68

(iii) Economic Importance Scheme: Nil

National Policy for roads in NER

2640. SHRI LALHMING LIANA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have drawn up a National Policy to improve and upgrade the National Highways and State Highways in the North-Eastern Region;

(b) if so, the details of the action plan to secure speedy execution of the policy;

(c) the details of the project in each of the North-Eastern State separately; and

(d) the estimated quantum of employment to be generated in the region?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T. R. BALLU): (a) Out of the total Plan budget for the development of National Highways in the country, ten percent is earmarked for the development of National Highways in the North-Eastern States. In addition, a programme namely 'Special Accelerated Road Development Programme in the North-Eastern Region (SARDP-NE)' has been formulated, which envisages upgradation/improvement of 7639 kms of roads, which includes National Highways and State Highways. The SARDP-NE is in the advance

stage of consideration by the Government. Apart from this, the Ministry of Development of North-Eastern Region (DoNER) is also providing funds for the road development in the North-Eastern States for which, technical approval is accorded by this Ministry.

(b) to (d) It is premature to give details of the above programme.

Four laning of roads in Rajasthan

†2641. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI. Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the four laning of the Jaipur-Ringus-Sikar (NH-11), Jaipur-Kota-Jhalawar (NH-12 and Byavar-Pali-Sirohi-Abu Road (NH-14) has been proposed under National Highway Development Project-III; and

(b) if so, when the work would get started by granting the sanction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) Yes, Sir except for Pindwara-Abu Road section of National Highway-14 which has been taken up for four laning under NHDP Phase II as part of East-West corridor.

(b) Consultancy work for preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for Jaipur-Reengus Section of NH-11 has been awarded. Action for fixing of DPR Consultant for Jaipur-Tonk section of NH-12 has been initiated. National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) has been asked to take up DPR work for Tonk-Kota-Jhalawar section of NH-12, Reengus-Sikar section of NH-11 and Beawar-Pali-Sirohi-Pindwara section of NH-14. It is too early to indicate the date of start of these works as DPR's are yet to be finalized.

As regards Pindwara-Abu Road section of NH-14, the work on the section kilometer 249.7 to 264 is likely to start by September 2005 and on section from kilometer 264 to 295 by January 2006.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.