## Failure of financial closure of projects

1214. SHRI T.M. SELVAGANAPATHI: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the projects awarded last year, projects covering around 2,300 km. have not been able to achieve financial closure;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the problem of getting finances for road projects have become difficult with the banks tightening on liquidity and introducing stringent conditions like 100 per cent land acquired before financial closure and asking for more equity contribution from the developer; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and whether Government would like to come the rescue of the developers by providing equity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI SARVEY SATHYANARAYANA): (a) and (b) The details of National Highway (NH) projects for which concession agreements were signed during 2011-12 and have not been able to achieve financial closure are given in Statement (*See* below).

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. Getting finances for NH projects have become difficult with the banks tightening on liquidity and introducing stringent conditions like 100% land acquired before Financial Closure. Model Concession Agreement has already a provision for providing Equity Support (Grant) upto a maximum of 40% of Total Project Cost (TPC) for 2/4 laning projects and upto a maximum of 10% of TPC for 6 laning projects. Beyond this, there is no provision for providing equity.

## Statement

Details of National Highway (NH) projects for which concession agreements were signed during 2011-12 and have not been able to achieve financial closure (as on 31.10.2012)

Sl. No.	Name of the project	State	Length (km.)
1	2	3	4
1.	Kota – Jhalwar	Rajasthan	88.09
2.	Panikoili – Rimuli	Odisha	166.17

## Maintenance and upkeep of NHs

Madhya Pradesh

97.6

1215. SHRI N.K. SINGH: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any study conducted regarding the State of maintenance and repair of National Highways (NHs) in India;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof;

20. Bamita - Satana