

and is taken up in a phased manner depending upon traffic intensity, *inter-se* priority and availability of funds.

**Pathetic condition of NH-87**

1697. DR. CHANDAN MITRA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the pathetic condition of National Highway-87 between Rampur-Bilaspur running upto Rudrapur for the last several years and its deteriorating condition every day;

(b) if so, the reasons for failure of concerned authorities in proper maintenance of this important and only highway connecting Uttarakhand with rest of the country; and

(c) the corrective steps taken by Government to ensure proper maintenance of NH of 87 without any further delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI SARVEY SATHYANARAYANA): (a) to (c) The estimates for maintenance of this section of National Highway No. 87 have already been sanctioned by the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) against which about 60% of length has already been repaired.

**Poor condition of NH between Ghaziabad and Kanpur**

1698. SHRI MOHAMMED ADEEB: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the condition of National Highway between Ghaziabad and Kanpur is poor and frequent traffic jams are the order of the day; and

(b) if so, the steps taken/being taken to properly maintain this National Highway and to speedily develop it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI SARVEY SATHYANARAYANA): (a) and (b) The upgradation work on National Highway No. 91 between Ghaziabad to Kanpur is divided in two sections *i.e.* Ghaziabad-Aligarh and Aligarh-Kanpur. Ghaziabad-Aligarh section is being four laned on BOT (Toll) basis with provisions of bypasses/ROB/Flyovers to decongest and ease the traffic flow on the National Highway. About 70% upgradation work has already been completed. The existing stretch is being maintained by the Concessionaire.