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Special Accelerated Road Development Programme for North-Eastern Region (SARDP-NE)	2000	1000
Road Development Programme for Left Wing Extremist Region (LWE)	424	500
TOTAL	9638	8500

(c) and (d) The Government had approved execution of Eastern Peripheral Expressway (EPE) with a design length of 135.000 km and total project cost of Rs.4489.00 crore on Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT) (Toll) mode of delivery. However, due to non-response of bidders, the Government has now decided to implement the EPE project in six packages on Engineering Procurement Construction (EPC) mode as per following details:

Packages	Chainage	Length (in Km)	Civil Cost (2014-15) (₹ in Crore)	EPC Cost (₹ in crore)
I.	Km. 1-22	21.000	771.18	962.42
II.	Km. 22-46.50	24.500	785.78	980.65
III.	Km. 46.5-71	24.500	788.51	984.06
IV.	Km. 71-93	22.000	789.31	985.05
V.	Km. 93-114	21.000	664.53	829.33
VI.	Km. 114-136	22.000	768.56	959.16
	TOTAL		4567.87	5700.67

Construction of roads in naxal affected areas

†105. SHRI DHIRAJ PRASAD SAHU: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that contractors are not applying for construction of roads in naxal-hit areas;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) whether Government proposes to construct road in these areas by directly engaging the Border Roads Organization;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI P. RADHAKRISHNAN): (a) Yes Sir. The contractors are not applying for construction of roads in certain deeply naxal-hit areas of Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand.

(b) The main reasons for the above are security related issues, limited working time and non-availability of material and labour in certain naxal affected areas.

(c) No Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) Border Roads Organisation is mainly engaged for construction and maintenance of roads & bridges in Border areas and they are heavily burdened for completion of their assigned task.

Setting up of scientific accident investigation team

106. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention is drawn to the fatal automobile road accidents in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that these accidents are happening for want of proper scientific accident investigation, which needs to be developed; and

(d) whether Government has felt the need for setting up of scientific accident investigation teams to deeply evolve the causes of accidents and get prepared to combat with future accidents efficiently?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI P. RADHAKRISHNAN): (a) and (b) The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways collects and compiles information on road accidents from Police