

Complaints regarding expenditure on Golden Quadrilateral

† 470. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Go construction work; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) No complaints regarding spending money at inflated rates per kilometer in construction of highways have been received by the Ministry.

- (b) to (d) Does not arise.

Highways in Uttaranchal

† 471. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have given sanction for construction of some new highways in Uttaranchal in the final phase of financial year 2003-04; and
- (b) if so, the names of such highways along with the length of road sanctioned in kilometer?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) and (b) The Hon'ble Member is presumably referring to sanction of works on new National Highways declared in the final phase of financial year 2003-04. Five new National Highways having a total length of 916 km. have been declared as such in February, 2004 in the State of Uttaranchal, details of which are at Statement (See below). Sanction of works can be taken up after entrustment of the Highways by the Central Government to the executing agencies for their maintenance and development.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Statement*Highways in Uttaranchal*

Sl. No	NH No.	Detail	Length (in K.M.)
1	123	The highway starting from its junction with NH-72 connecting Vikasnagar-Kalsi-Barkat and terminating at junction with NH-94 near Barkot bend	95
2	119	From Uttar Pradesh border connecting Kotdwara-Pauri and terminating at its junction with NH-58 near Srinagar	135
3	121	The highway starting from its junction with NH-74 near Kashipur connecting Ramnagar-Dhumakot-Thalisain-Tripalisain- Pabo and terminating at NH-119 near Bubakhal	252
4	87- Extension	The highway starting from its junction with NH-87 near Nainital connecting Bhowali-Almora-Ranikhet Dwarahat-Chaukutia-Gairsain-Adbabri and terminating at its junction with NH-58 near Kama Prayag	233
5	125	The highway starting from its junction with NH-74 near Sitarganj connecting Khatima-Tanakpur and terminating at Pithoragarh	201
Total length			916

Safety Norms for Sports Utility Vehicles

472. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are seriously thinking of adopting strict safety norms for Sports Utility Vehicles (SUVs);

(b) whether Government propose to ban third row of seats which is a problem area;

(c) whether any meeting with the vehicle manufacturers has been convened in this connection;