

50 kilometres and a designated trauma care facility is available at every 100 km. of the National Highway. 9 hospitals have been identified for trauma care facilities in the State of Himachal Pradesh under the aforesaid scheme. So far, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has approved 5 hospitals as trauma care centre and released ₹ 17.09 crore.

#### **Satellite Township Ring Road around Bengaluru**

1601. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Karnataka Government has submitted any proposals seeking assistance for execution of complete Satellite Township Ring Road (STRR) around Bengaluru;

(b) if so, details thereof; and

(c) whether NHAI has received a further proposal from the State Government to change the alignment along this stretch, as NHAI has already taken up the proposed four laning of the stretch between Dobaspet to Hoskote on STRR?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

#### **Construction of flyover on Cuttack-Paradip highway**

1602. SHRI BISHNU CHARAN DAS: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to construction a flyover on Cuttack-Paradip highway in Kandarpur to ease the traffic; and

(b) if so, the details and the status thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI RADHAKRISHNAN P.): (a) and (b) Cuttack-Jagatsinghpur- Balikuda-Naugaon was declared National Highway (NH 55) on 17.09.2015. Preparation of DPR

for upgradation of this part of National Highway is in progress. Based on outcome of DPR, Road Over Bridge (ROB) in place of existing level crossing near Kandarpur may be constructed.

#### **Grid of National Highway corridors**

1603. SHRI SHADI LAL BATRA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any proposal to prepare a grid of National Highway (NH) corridors across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether most of the roads in the corridors are single or two lanes and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether Government prepares to convert them into four lanes and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the action taken by Government to improve road connectivity in each corridors of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA): (a) to (e) The Ministry is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs). The total length of NHs in the country is about 1,03,519 km. State roads are declared as new NHs from time to time keeping in view the requirements of connectivity, *inter-se* priority and availability of funds. Further, decision for upgradation of existing NHs to 4-lane standards are taken depending upon the traffic density, terrain type, *inter-se* priority and availability of funds.

The development and maintenance of NHs is a continuous process. The works on NHs are accordingly taken up depending upon *inter-se* priority, traffic density and availability of funds. The Ministry has taken up development of NHs/roads under various phases of National Highways Development Project (NHDP), Special Accelerated Road Development Programme for the North East Region (SARDP-NE) including Arunachal Pradesh Package of Roads, Special Programme for Development of Roads in the Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected areas, National Highways Interconnectivity Improvement Project (NHIIP), etc.