

country. Responsibility for development and maintenance of roads other than National Highways rest with the respective State Governments/Union Territories (UTs). Out of 121 proposals received from the Government of Haryana during the last three years, depending upon the availability of funds and available bank of sanction, 64 proposals were approved for development of National Highways. With the lapse of Annual Plans during the last three years, the unapproved proposals automatically deem to be returned to the Government of Haryana and as such, no proposal is pending with this Ministry.

Work on Raipur-Jagdalpur NH-43

†2422. DR. BHUSHAN LAL JANGDE: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the current status of four laning of National Highway No. 43 from Raipur to Jagdalpur;

(b) whether construction of a bypass is necessary on this highway at Keshkal Ghat, which has 11 hairpin bends which cause frequent accidents;

(c) whether any proposal regarding the same has been sent to Government for approval under LWE scheme; and

(d) whether sanction for ₹ 872.66 lakh was obtained from the Ministry on the 3rd March, 2008 for construction of a bridge over Markandi river on the above highway but as it was necessary to construct a high quality bridge over this river a proposal for approval was sent to Government on the 6th September, 2010?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA): (a) Tender has been invited for four laning of Raipur to Dhamtari section of National Highway No. 43 in two packages and Rehabilitation and Upgradation to 2-Lane with Paved Shoulder for Dhamtari to Jagdalpur section of National Highway No. 43 has been awarded in four packages.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Rehabilitation and upgradation to 2-Lane with Paved Shoulder from Kanker to Bedma section of National Highway No. 43 including Keshkal Bypass has been awarded.

(d) Rehabilitation and Upgradation to 2-Lane with Paved Shoulder from Dahikonda to Jagdalpur section of National Highway No. 43 including the construction of bridge across Markandi river has been awarded.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.