

- (b) if so, whether Government has taken any step in this regard; and
 (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA): (a) to (c) The Change of standards related to Highways is a continuous process based on advancement of technology and research.

Functioning of toll plazas in Andhra Pradesh

2195. SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the toll collected in Andhra Pradesh by NHAI during 2015-16 toll plaza-wise;
 (b) whether it is a fact that the toll plazas are not being managed properly and effectively between Rajahmundry and Visakhapatnam in terms of efficiency, good environment and fast movement;
 (c) how NHAI proposes to direct the concerned Project Directors to improve toll plazas within a time-frame; and
 (d) the steps proposed in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA): (a) The toll plaza-wise details of fee collection of public funded fee plazas in Andhra Pradesh by NHAI during 2015-16 are given in the Statement (*See below*).

(b) to (d) Toll plazas on National Highways are operated and managed by NHAI through Concessionaire / Contractor as per the provisions of Concession / Contract Agreement.

To further improve the performance, NHAI has already issued various guidelines.

Statement

Details showing Toll plaza wise fee collection under Public Funded tolling in Andhra Pradesh by NHAI during 2015-16

Sl. No.	NH No. (Old)	Section	Name of Plaza	Length in KM	Toll collection as per available records for 2015-16 (₹ in Lakhs)
1	2	3	4	5	6
Andhra Pradesh					
1.	5	Ankapalli - Vishakhapatnam	Agnampudi	40.707	2856.89
2.	5	Nadigama- Icchapuram	Madapam	63.000	4781.52

1	2	3	4	5	6
3.	5	Ichapuram-Puintola	Bellupada	57.454	3092.81
4.	5	Ichapuram-Srikakulam	Laxmipuram	66.150	3376.42
5.	5	Rajamundry-Tuni	Krishnavaram	71.270	7634.09
6.	5	Diwancheruvu -Peravali	Km 946.300, Eethakota	48.530	950.75
7.	5	Peravali - Gundugolanu	Km 999.600, Unguturu	72.211	868.64
8.	5	Tuni-Ankapalli	Vemapadu	89.270	9911.29
9.	5	Visakhapatnam-Champawati	Nathavalasa	46.340	3718.28
10.	5	Bommuru-Gondugolanu	Tanuku	107.611	7245.40
11.	5	Srikakulam -Chilakpalem	Chilakpalem	48.000	3872.64

Road connectivity projects with neighbouring countries

†2196. SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of projects India has cleared for construction and upgradation of 558 kms of roads to connect Bangladesh, Bhutan and Nepal with roads in order to facilitate movement of people and goods in an effort towards enhancing inter-regional trade by 60 per cent;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the cost of these projects; and

(c) whether a time-limit has been fixed to complete these projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI MANSUKHL. MANDAVIYA): (a) and (b) After signing of Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal (BBIN) Motor Vehicle Agreement in June 2015 for facilitating seamless movement of passenger and cargo vehicles and increase trade in the sub-region, the following road projects in India have been identified to be posed for loan assistance by Asian Development Bank (ADB).

Sl. No.	Project	Distance
1.	Upgradation of Siliguri-Mirik-Darjeeling road in West Bengal	122 km.
2.	Widening of NH-112 (old NH-35) from Kolkata to Bongaon (on India-Bangladesh Border)	60 km
3.	Upgradation of road connections to Diamond Harbor in West Bengal NH 12(oldNH 117)	123 km

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.