

National Highways in Odisha

1853. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total length of National Highways in Odisha;
- (b) the details of the existing National Highways in Odisha, lane-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Ministry to expand National Highways in Odisha?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA): (a) and (b) The total length of National Highways in Odisha is 5413 kms. Lane-wise details of existing National Highways in Odisha are as under:—

Lane details	Length (in km)
Less than 2-lane	425
2-lane	4136
4-lane and above	852

(c) The Ministry considers declaration of some State roads as new National Highways (NHs) from time to time depending upon requirement of connectivity, *inter-se* priority and availability of funds. 1817 kms length of State roads in Odisha as new NHs are under consideration subject to outcome of the Detailed Project Reports (DPRs).

Compensation for deaths in road accidents

1854. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that one death occurs every three minutes in road accidents, in the country but only half of them receive compensation;

(b) whether there is any road safety policy in vogue, if so, how many States have such a safety policy;

(c) whether the Centre is planning to have a uniform road safety policy for the entire country for the benefit of the road accident victims and their kith and kin; and

(d) how does Government propose to increase the awareness of such policy amongst the general public?