

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken/ being taken by Government to construct quality roads in the country?

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI): (a) and (b) No, Sir. The roads under National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) are constructed and maintained as per the prescribed standards of Indian Road Congress (IRC) and the Ministry. The quality provisions are ensured by the Authority/ Independent Engineer as per MoRT&H specifications for Road and Bridge work, IRC/BIS guidelines and NHAI Quality Assurance Manual.

**Development and maintenance of NHs in  
Telangana and A.P.**

1696. SHRIDHARMAPURI SRINIVAS:

SHRI T. G. VENKATESH:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that National Highways in the State of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh are in dilapidated condition which needs to be maintained properly for smooth running of vehicles, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government has identified the number of National Highway roads which are in bad condition and need early redevelopment, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has earmarked funds for this purpose, if so, the details thereof, district-wise; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government to redevelop and maintain the National Highways in the State of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh at the earliest?

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI): (a) and (b) National Highways in the States of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh are maintained in traffic worthy condition.

(c) and (d) Development and maintenance of National Highways is a continuous process and the same is undertaken based on the preparedness in terms of pre-construction activities, *inter se* priority, traffic requirement and availability of resources.

**Bharatmala projects along Indo-Nepal border areas**

†1697. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(a) whether the work of road construction is being done by National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) in the strategically important Indo-Nepal border area under the Bharatmala project;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the work of construction of road in strategically important Indo-Nepal border area, under Bharatmala project, is in progress as per the target and is slated to be completed within the definite time period; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI): (a) to (d) The Government of India has approved Phase-I of Bharatmala Pariyojana with financial outlay of ₹ 5,35,000 crores to develop 24,800 km Highways along with 10,000 km residual NHDP stretches over a period of 5 years. In Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase-I, development of Border and International Connectivity roads for a length of 2000 km has also been envisaged with outlay of ₹ 25,000 crores. Along Indo-Nepal Border, the project *i.e.* balance work of Piprakothi-Motihari-Raxaul on NH-28A of about 69 km length and civil cost of approximately ₹ 334 crore has been awarded in December, 2018 and commenced in February, 2019 with scheduled completion period of 12 months.

#### **National Register on Transport**

1698. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the current status of National Register on Transport Portal;

(b) the revenue collected by Government by providing access to Vahan and Sarathi database;

(c) the details of the number of Government and private entities with access to the Vahan and Sarathi database;

(d) whether Government has intended to sell Vahan and Sarathi database in bulk, if so, the estimated revenue for such a sale; and

(e) whether Government linked Vahan and Sarathi with stolen vehicles data from National Crime Record Bureau?

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI): (a) Sir, the Centralized National Registry for transport, maintained by this