

evolve a framework of guidelines for resolution of stuck projects. Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (M/o RT&H) issued guiding principles for resolution of stuck National Highway projects vide Office Memorandum dated 09.03.2019. M/o RT&H and its implementing agencies have initiated action to take up measures for resolution of stuck projects within the framework of these guiding principles.

(c) and (d) The measures for resolution of 17 nos. stuck projects in various States (*i.e.* 04 nos. -Maharashtra, 02 nos.- Bihar, 01 no.- Himachal Pradesh, 01 no. -Meghalaya, 01 no.- West Bengal, 01 no.-Karnataka, 02 nos.-Rajasthan, 02 nos.-Jammu & Kashmir, 01 no.-Odisha, 01 no.-Assam, 01 no.-Uttar Pradesh) which were undertaken by M/s IL &FS; has been initiated and are in different stages of resolution.

Highways in Punjab

1704. SARDAR BALWINDER SINGH BHUNDER: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) number of National and State Highways in Punjab;
- (b) number of State roads that have been declared as new National Highways in State of Punjab during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (c) whether Ministry has provided funds for development of above new National Highways; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI): (a) There are 30 National Highways and 18 State Highways in the State of Punjab.

(b) The number of State roads declared as New National Highways during the period are as below:

Year	No. of State Roads declared as New National Highways in State of Punjab
2016-17	Nil
2017-18	7
2018-19	1
2019-20	Nil

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. Total five works over a length of 340 km. amounting to ₹ 1426.49 cr. has been sanctioned on the New National Highways.

Data regarding national highways construction

1705. SHRI ANIL DESAI: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has constructed a record number of Highways since 2014;
- (b) data of road constructed prior to 2014; and
- (c) whether all the National Highways constructed prior to 2014 and afterwards have the same quality and passengers facilities, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI): (a) and (b) Ministry has constructed National Highways of 39,386 km. during 2014 to 2019 and 24,589 km. have been constructed during 2009 to 2014.

(c) National Highways are constructed and maintained as per the prescribed specifications and standards of Ministry of Road Transport and Highways and Indian Road Congress (IRC). 24x7 dedicated helpline no 1033 and mobile application „SUKHAD YATRA% facilities have been provided to assist road users in case of emergency and non-emergency. FASTag, toilet and dustbins, etc. facilities have been provided at various toll plazas on National Highways. Further Highway Nest (Minis) are also provided to facilitate passengers.

Construction of new NHs in Rajasthan

†1706. SHRI RAM NARAIN DUDI: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has given approval to the new projects for the construction of new National Highways in the State of Rajasthan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the proposed projects to be started in Rajasthan?

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Total 19 projects costing ₹ 14,411 crore have been approved for construction of new National Highways in the State of Rajasthan. Out of these, 12

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