

(c) No, Sir. User fee is collected on National Highways in accordance with the National Highways Fee Rules of 1997 and National Highways Fee Rules of 2008 and the subsequent amendments and the respective Concession Agreement. The budgetary allocation made by the Government is not sufficient to meet the funds requirement for constructing and subsequently maintaining the all weather good quality navigable roads. The user fee being collected is also utilized for construction and maintenance of National Highways.

**Construction of road from Dausa to
Kothun in Rajasthan**

†1709. DR. KIRODI LAL MEENA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has received a demand regarding execution of additional work in the village Nangal Rajawatan on the under construction road from Dausa to Kothun *via* Lalsot in the district Dausa of Rajasthan being constructed by NHAI, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) reasons for not agreeing to the said demand, which is in public interest so far, with reference to the letter No. 2249 dated 17.08.2018 and letter No. 3866 dated 12.12.2018 of General Manager, Directorate of Projects, NHAI (G-5 and 6 sector 10) Dwarka and the details of the letter therein?

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI): (a) and (b) An estimate amounting to approximately ₹ 5.22 crores has been received for improvement of existing highway passing through Nangal Rajawatan. Such works on existing/left out stretches are taken up as One Time Improvement works executed after completion of bypasses, new alignment etc. subject to availability of funds.

Illegal encroachment along national highways

1710. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR GUPTA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are large scale illegal encroachments along the National Highways;

(b) whether Government has any plan to evolve an effective mechanism to do immediate monitoring of encroachments along the National Highways and take immediate steps for their removal; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.