

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-2162**  
ANSWERED ON - 19/03/2025

**BRIDGE AND FLYOVER CONSTRUCTION IN ODISHA**

2162. SHRI DEBASHISH SAMANTARAY:

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

- (a) the number of bridges and flyovers constructed in Odisha during the last five years;
- (b) the status of major bridge projects, including those on important river crossings in Odisha;
- (c) whether Government has approved any new flyover projects for reducing traffic congestion in Odisha's urban areas; and
- (d) the steps taken to maintain and repair existing bridges in Odisha to ensure public safety?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

- (a) 542 numbers of bridges and flyovers have been constructed on National Highways (NHs) in the State of Odisha during the last five years.
- (b) Construction of 43 numbers of major bridges have been taken up either as a standalone project or as a part of corridor development project on NHs in the State of Odisha. Besides these, works have been awarded for construction of 2 numbers of bridges, and works have been sanctioned for construction of another 2 numbers of bridges.
- (c) The Government through the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has approved Anithapali flyover on NH-53 in the Sambalpur district and Pastikudi village junction flyover projects on NH-26 in the Kalahandi district.
- (d) The bridges are regularly inspected and monitored at set intervals by the concerned implementing agencies. The Mobile Bridge Inspection Unit (MBIU) is used for inspections of major bridges, and repair, maintenance, and rehabilitation works are carried out as per the Indian Roads Congress (IRC) specifications and Government policy/guidelines.

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