

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1544
ANSWERED ON- 12/03/2025

POLICY FOR PLANTATION ALONG HIGHWAYS

1544. SMT. SUNETRA AJIT PAWAR:

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

- (a) whether National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has amended the policy for plantation along Highways;
- (b) whether Government has any proposal to involve local NGOs for plantation and development of way side amenities as per local theme;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether Government has received any proposal from NGOs for plantation and development of way side amenities as per local theme on NH-965G in Maharashtra; and
- (e) if so, the action taken by the Central Government in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

- (a) No amendment has been carried out in the Green Highways (Plantation, Transplantation, Beautification & Maintenance) Policy, 2015 for plantation along Highways.
- (b) Private agencies / NGOs may be engaged for plantation. However, no such proposal is under process for wayside amenities.
- (c) Government is collaborating with private organizations for the upkeep of Green Highways. In the approved Annual Plantation Action Plan (APAP) for the year 2025-26, more than 2 lakh saplings out of total target of 52.69 lakh saplings are proposed to be planted by engaging private agencies.
- (d)&(e) No such proposal in this regard has been received till date.
