

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1556
ANSWERED ON-12/03/2025

FOUR-LANE HIGHWAY CONNECTIVITY TO COASTAL DISTRICTS OF ODISHA

1556. SHRI MANAS RANJAN MANGARAJ:

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

- (a) whether Government has proposed to develop four-lane highways connecting major coastal districts of Odisha to promote tourism and trade;
- (b) if so, the details of these proposed highways, including project costs, funding sources and timelines;
- (c) the current status of land acquisition and approvals for these projects; and
- (d) the measures being taken to ensure timely execution of these highway projects?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (d) The Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the development of the Coastal Highway via Puri, Kakatpur, Paradeep, Ratanpur, Chandipur, and Digha, with a tentative length of 408.435 km, has been awarded. The scope of DPR includes alignment study, feasibility study, and pre-construction activities (including land acquisition assessment).

The award of civil construction work shall be taken up after the completion of DPR, statutory clearances and pre-construction activities depending upon projected traffic, techno - economic viability and inter-se-priority. It is premature to indicate the cost of project and completion time.
