

# Road Construction Target

The Ministry of Road Transport and Highway has set an ambitious target of 15000 km for construction of national highways during the year 2017-18. Against this, 2269 km of highways have been completed as on 30<sup>th</sup> June in. The state-wise construction of National Highways in the country during the last three years and current year as on 30<sup>th</sup> June are as follows:

S No	Year	Length completed (km)	Rate of construction (km per day)
1	2014-15	4410	12.08
2	2015-16	6061	16.60
3	2016-17	8231	22.55
4	2017-18 (up to 30 <sup>th</sup> June)	2269	25.21

In order to ensure timely completion of the projects, regular meetings are held with project developers, state governments and contractors. Regular review meetings are held in Head Quarter by Ministry with Regional Officers, concessionaires and contractors to make the construction of projects hassle free. To expedite completion of these projects various steps are taken which include streamlining of land acquisition & environment clearances, exit for equity investors, premium re-schedulement, close coordination with other Ministries, revamping of dispute resolution mechanism, frequent reviews at various levels etc.

This information was given by Minister of State for Road Transport & Highways and Shipping, Shri Pon. Radhakrishnan in a written reply to a question in the Lok Sabha today.

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