

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 895
ANSWERED ON 23RD JULY, 2026**

NEW DURGAPUR LINK EXPRESSWAY

895. SHRI AZAD KIRTI JHA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

(a) the current status of the new Durgapur Link Expressway, which would connect Bardhaman-Durgapur to the Varanasi-Kolkata Expressway corridor via Bankura City including the timelines for completion and integration with the main expressway network;

(b) the steps taken to ensure timely and fair compensation, rehabilitation for landowners and project-affected families along with the Durgapur Link Expressway and related road projects in the Bardhaman-Durgapur Lok Sabha Constituency; and

(c) the initiatives planned or underway to enhance last-mile connectivity and improve rural road access within Bardhaman-Durgapur to fully leverage the benefits of the expressway network for local residents and commerce?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (c) Development of National Highway (NH) in the country is a continuous process and Government keeps on undertaking Detailed Project Report (DPR) / Feasibility Study to improve / widen / construct National Highway / Expressway to improve the connectivity and integration with grid of National Highway /

Expressway as also to provide last mile connectivity. Decision for project implementation and investment is taken based on the outcome of Detailed Project Report (DPR), requirement of connectivity, traffic density and synergy with PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan. As far as New Durgapur Link Expressway is concerned, there is no such project under consideration by the Government.
