

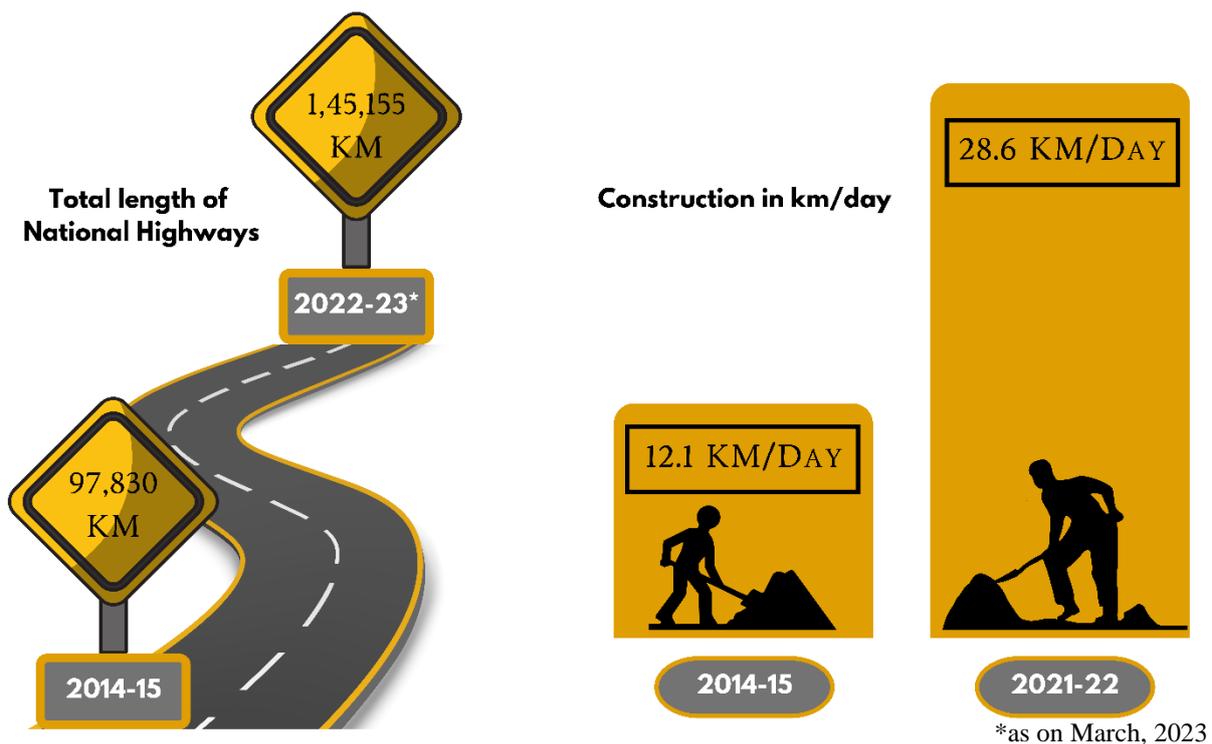
Impetus to Road Infrastructure under Bharatmala Pariyojana

Nearly 50000 kms of National Highways added in last 9 years

Pace of Construction up from 12 to 29 km/day since 2014

India has about 63.73 lakh km of road network, which is the **second largest in the world**. National Highways play a very important role in the economic and social development of the country by enabling efficient movement of freight and passengers, connecting people and facilitating economic activities.

Government of India has implemented multiple initiatives in the last 9 years to augment the capacity of the National Highway infrastructure in the country. The pace of National Highways (NH) construction has increased consistently between 2014-15 and 2021-22 due to the systematic push through corridor-based National Highway development approach. In 2014-15, the pace of NH construction was about 12 km/ day, which increased to about **29 km/ day in 2021-22**.



As a part of *Bharatmala Pariyojana*, India's largest expressway, i.e., 1,386 km long **Delhi-Mumbai Expressway**, is being developed, and Delhi – Dausa – Lalsot section of the expressway has already been [dedicated to the nation](#) by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Source:

- [Year End Review- 2022: Ministry of Road Transport and Highways](#)
- Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 238, Answered on March 16, 2023