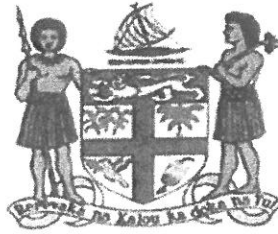


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RESPONSE TO WRITTEN QUESTION 93/2019

FIJI ROADS AUTHORITY (FRA)

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Hon. Ratu Tevita Navurelevu - Can the minister inform the house how many **kilometres of road have been tarsealed** since the Fiji roads authority was established in 2012, **details of costing** and **how many contractors** were engaged.

Mister Speaker sir, since FRA was established, 257km have been sealed (we don't use the term 'tarseal' – because it isn't 'tar') from 2015-2018 which is an average of 64km per year. This is in comparison to length under Department of National Roads (DNR) for 28 years from 1986-2014 which is 571km and average of 20km per year.

Furthermore, It will take some time to separate out the cost because much of the work was not road work in these contracts (drainage, utilities, streetlight were also included) – the actual cost of asphaltting from 2015-2018 would be around \$160 Million.

There were 12 contractors that were engaged since inception of FRA.

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