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Transfer (BOT) (Toll) mode for the period of delay not directly attributable to the concessionaire subject to the condition that tenure of the operation period would remain unchanged and the project has to be physically completed within the next three years. Similarly, payment of annuities corresponding to the actual period of delay not attributable to the concessionaire in case of languishing highways projects under BOT (Annuity) mode is also envisaged. Identification of such projects has been initiated by National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) in consultation with lenders and concessionaires.

Highways Advisory Radio System

- 914. DR. CHANDAN MITRA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government proposes to launch Highway Advisory Radio (HAR) system like radio channel;
 - (b) if so, the salient features thereof; and
- (c) by when a free to air infotainment system is likely to be operational on all National Highways?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI RADHAKRISHNAN P.): (a) Highway Advisory System (HAS) is a free-to-air information distribution system providing real-time Highway traffic and information Bulletin to make the travelling experience on our National Highways safer, faster and enjoyable. To begin with, HAS is going to be implemented on a pilot basis on the Delhi-Jaipur Highway.

- (b) The salient features are real-time traffic information including any congestion and slowdown on the road, accidents and conditions of the road, disaster warning system and weather information.
- (c) After the successful pilot project on the Delhi-Jaipur Highway, the pan India rollout will be initiated, subject to feasibility.

Auction of completed highway projects

- 915. SHRI RANJIB BISWAL: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government proposes to auction its completed, public-funded, highway projects;