

Pending road projects of BRO

1815. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of road projects that are still pending and handled by the Border Roads Organisation (BRO);
- (b) the details of these pending projects including details such as the start date of the project, initially proposed target date, renewed target date etc.; and
- (c) the additional expenditure that have been incurred in each of these projects due to the delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE): (a) and (b) A five year (2015-2020) Long Term Roll on Works Plan (LTRoWP) for BRO has been approved for construction/improvement of 530 roads as identified by the Army. Work is in progress on 373 roads and for 157 roads work is in pre-construction stage. Out of the 373 roads, 17 roads are delayed which were to be completed by 2016 as per the LTRoWP. The revised completion schedule for the 17 roads is as under:—

- (i) 8 roads by 2017
- (ii) 8 roads by 2018
- (iii) 1 road by 2020.

(c) The 17 roads which are delayed are being executed by BRO through departmental execution and the work is in progress therefore, the additional expenditure, if any, can be ascertained once these roads are completed.

Making DIA functional

1816. DR. VIKAS MAHATME: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Defence Intelligence Agency (DIA) was created after a review of Indian Intelligence apparatus following the civil attacks in Amarnath, Gurdaspur and mainly in Kashmir;