

**Status of NESRIP**

3296. SHRI KAMAKHYA PRASAD TASA : Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the status of project titled 'ADB' assisted North Eastern State Roads Investment Programme' (NESRIP) for construction of four lane bridge including approaches over river Brahmaputra between Dhubri on North Bank in Assam and Phulbari on South Bank on NH-127B in Meghalaya; and

(b) the revised cost of project and projected date of completion along with the name of executing agency?

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI) : (a) and (b) The work of construction of Four-lane bridge including approaches over River Brahmaputra between Dhubri on North Bank in Assam and Phulbari on South Bank on NH-127 B in Meghalaya does not come under the project titled 'ADB' assisted North Eastern State Roads Investment Programme (NESRIP) but is being taken up with loan assistance from Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA). This work falls under the project 'North East Road Network Connectivity Improvement Project'.

The estimated cost of this work is ₹ 4997.04 crore. The construction period is 7 years and 9 months and the projected date of completion is in the year 2026-27. National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL), a Central Public Sector Enterprise (CPSE) under this Ministry, is the executing agency.

**Status of Palariuattom flyover on NH**

3297. SHRI K.J. ALPHONS : Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that a flyover built by the State Government at Palariuattom on the National Highway between Ernakulam and Trivandrum has become dysfunctional after three years of completion;

(b) whether Government is aware that massive collusion between the Government agencies and the contractor has taken place; and

(c) whether Government will issue directions for demolition and reconstruction of the above flyover?

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI) : (a) Yes, Sir. Palarivattom flyover on NH-66 is temporarily closed for rehabilitation works.

(b) No such collusion between the Government agencies and the contractor is reported.

(c) Repair/rehabilitation works are being carried out as per recommendations of Indian Institute of Technology, Madras.

#### **NH projects in Sikkim**

3298. SHRI HISHEY LACHUNGPA : Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of National Highway (NH) projects taken up in the State of Sikkim;

(b) the project-wise details of these National Highways;

(c) since when these projects are under construction;

(d) the amount of time taken to complete these projects; and

(e) the status of NH 10?

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI) : (a) to (d) Details of ongoing National Highway projects in Sikkim are given in the Statement (*See* below).

(e) NH-10 in Sikkim is maintained in traffic worthy condition.