

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-3021
ANSWERED ON- 22/03/2021

POOR CONDITION OF HIGHWAYS IN ASSAM

3021. SHRI KAMAKHYA PRASAD TASA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry is aware of the dilapidated condition of four lane highways from Lumding to Silchar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the measures taken by the Ministry for reconditioning of dilapidated roads; and
- (d) whether any soil test was conducted before starting the above-mentioned road?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (d) 4-laning of Lumding to Maibong stretch has already been completed and it is in traffic worthy condition except at chainage 105.300 & 115.850, where sinking / settlement of about 100 m has been developed. Temporary diversions with necessary signages have been provided and traffic is plying smoothly. 2-lane highway from Maibong to Jatinga is in traffic worthy condition except in one kilometre portion wherein road is in 4 to 5 m width due to sinking/settlement of the road.

From Jatinga to Harangajao stretch, maintenance work has been taken up and road is in traffic worthy condition. The 4-laning of the stretch from Harangajao to Balachera has been taken up and present physical progress is 29%. The responsibility to maintain the stretch in traffic worthy condition lies with the Contractor. However in case of failure of the contractor to maintain the stretch, maintenance is carried out at the risk and cost of the Contractor. 4-laning of Balachera to Silchar stretch has been completed and the road is in good condition.

Detailed Project Report (DPR) work for the design of damaged portion and for the re-award of balance work of 4-laning of Nrimbanglo to Jatinga section (Package AS-22) & Jatinga to Harangajao section (Package AS-21) in the state of Assam has been taken up. Peer review and vetting through IIT, Guwahati and JICA (Japan International Cooperation Agency) has been initiated. All necessary soil investigation tests had been carried out and incorporated in DPR.
