GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFROAD TRANSPORT & HIGH WAYS RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO21.04.2010 ANSWERED ON

COMPLETION OF HIGHWAY BETWEEN DELHI AND HARIDWAR.

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Shri Jai Prakash Narayan Singh

Will the Minister of COALROAD TRANSPORT & HIGH WAYS be pleased to state :-

whether it is a fact that there is slow progress of laying of highway between Delhi and Haridwar; (a)

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c)whether Government has plans to complete the highway before the Commonwealth Games, 2010; and

(d)if not, the reasons therefor and by when the highway will be fully constructed?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI R. P. N. SINGH)

(a) & (b) Delhi - Meerut section of NH-58 is already 4-laned. Four laning work of Meerut - Muzaffarnagar section of NH-58 was awarded on Build, Operate & Transfer (BOT) (Toll) basis with scheduled date of completion as March, 2009. The physical progress achieved is 78% till March, 2010. The project is targeted for completion by August, 2010. The reasons for delay are delay in land acquisition, forest clearance, approval from Railways regarding Road Over Bridges (ROBs) and the stoppage of work for 8 months due to unexpected crisis of M/s Maytas Infra. Four-laning work of Muzaffarnagar-Haridwar section of NH-58 has been awarded on BOT (Toll) basis on 24th February, 2010.

(c)No, Sir. The entire section will not be completed before the Common Wealth Games.

(d)As work is likely to start only by August, 2010, it is likely to be completed by February, 2013.