GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 1558

ANSWERED ON -12/03/2025

NATIONAL HIGHWAYS NO. 37

1558. SH. BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by Government to expedite the building of National Highway No. 37, which is largely obligatory;
- (b) whether Government has fixed a time period to complete the construction; and
- (c) the reasons, why the four-lane construction is moving delicately?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (c) National Highway (NH) No. 37 is starting from its junction with NH-2 near Imphal, Jiribam in Manipur connecting Jirighat, Lakhipur, Silchar, Badarpur, and Karimganj in the State of Assam and terminates at Indo-Bangladesh border. Total length of new NH-37 in the State of Assam is about 110 km and the entire length has been taken up by National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL) for 4-laning through seven Packages. Out of 7 packages, three packages are currently in progress, three have been awarded under the Hybrid Annuity Model (HAM) and one project is targeted for sanction in the current financial year. In Manipur, NHIDCL is carrying out widening and strengthening works to maintain traffic-worthy conditions on the highway sections. All the ongoing projects on new NH-37 are scheduled to be completed by January, 2028.

Due to several factors such as delays in disbursing land acquisition compensation, unavailability of the Right of Way (ROW), prolonged or untimely rainfall and challenges in obtaining raw materials, progress of ongoing projects have been affected.