GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2583 ANSWERED ON 1ST DECEMBER,2016

LAMBAGAD STRETCH ON NH 58

2583. MAJ GEN BC KHANDURI AVSM (Retd):

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether Lambagad stretch at Chamoli in Uttarakhand on National Highway (NH) No. 58 gets blocked frequently thereby affecting traffic on this stretch, if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) the number of days this stretch remained blocked during each of the last three years and the current year, year-wise;

(c) whether this blockage of NH 58 at Lambagad stretch affects the traffic towards road connecting Badrinath Shrine and important strategic Military establishments on China Border, if so, the details thereof;

(d) the action plan prepared by the Government to make this stretch motorable throughout the year; and

(e) the details of tunnels and/or alternate arrangements proposed and funds provided by the Government to make this road motorable throughout the year?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) to (c) The Lambagad stretch at Chamoli on National Highway no. 58 (New NH 07) gets damaged frequently due to landslides and heavy rains blocking the movement of traffic towards road connecting Badrinath Shrine and important strategic Military establishments on China Border. The details regarding number of days for which the stretch remained blocked during last three years and current year, are as follows:

Year	No of days
2013-14	111
2014-15	27
2015-16	12
2016-17	27

(d) & (e) The work of Land slide mitigation to make the stretch motorable throughout the year near Lambagarh at km. 504.309 of NH-58 was sanctioned by the M/o Road Transport & Highways for Rs. 10768 lakhs. The State PWD of Uttarakhand has mobilized the work at site with completion period of 12 months. Presently there is no proposal for tunnel and/or alternate arrangement. The existing alignment has been proposed for strengthening and widening to 2 lane standard with and without paved shoulder depending on availability of ROW.
