GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5043 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 16TH DECEMBER, 2016

ROAD CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES OF BRO

5043. SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI: SHRI SUMAN BALKA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE j{kk ea=h be pleased to state:

(a) whether the ongoing unrest in Kashmir valley has adversely affected the road construction activities undertaken by the Border Road Organisation (BRO);

- (b) if so, the details thereof, project-wise; and
- (c) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

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| MINISTER OF STATE | | | (DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE) |
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(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. Certain road works undertaken by Project Beacon of Border Road Organisation (BRO) were affected due to unrest in the Kashmir valley. The details of roads on which works were affected are given below:

- (i) Kisthwar-Sinthanpass-Anantnag (NH-244).
- (ii) Srinagar-Sonamarg-Gumri (NH-1).
- (iii) Srinagar-Baramulla-Uri (NH-1).
- (iv) Hazibal-Z Gali Macchal.
- (v) Chowkibal-Tangdhar-Chamkot (NH-70).
- (vi) Bandipur-Gureiz.
- (vii) Mohurra-Bazz.

(c) In order to execute the works and keep the roads open, dedicated protection by Territorial Army (TA) Battalion was provided and wherever possible, the road construction activities were undertaken by BRO during night.
