

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2755
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 17TH MARCH, 2017
ROADS ALONG BORDER AREAS

2755. SHRI HARINARAYAN RAJBHAR:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether certain strategic roads and railway lines adjoining the borders are being constructed;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Uttar Pradesh;
- (c) whether the completion of these projects have been delayed several times;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor and the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (e) the other steps taken for strengthening the existing border roads and developing new roads in border areas of the country?

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MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)

रक्षा राज्य मंत्री

(डा. सुभाष भामरे)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The State-wise details of road entrusted to Border Roads Organisation (BRO) for construction/improvement in the border areas are as per Appendix-A enclosed.

In addition, 04 strategic railway lines for construction and final location survey by Ministry of Railways, has been approved by the Cabinet Committee on Security as under:-

- (i) Misamari (Bhalukpong)-Tenga-Tawang**
- (ii) Phasighat-Parsuramkund-Rupai**
- (iii) Bilaspur-Mandi-Manali-Leh to be connected to Pathankot**
- (iv) North Lakhimpur-Bame (Along)-Silapathar**

Further, no road project is entrusted to BRO in Uttar Pradesh.

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(c) & (d): There are certain delays in execution of road projects mainly due to the following reasons:-

- (i) Delay in Forest/wildlife clearance**
- (ii) Hard rock stretches**
- (iii) Limited working season**
- (iv) Difficulties in availability of construction materials**
- (v) Delay in land acquisition**

(e) The Government has taken following measures to expedite the construction works:-

- (i) States of Sikkim, Arunachal Pradesh, J&K, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand have constituted the Empowered Committee to resolve the issues pertaining to BRO.**
- (ii) Outsourcing has been allowed to augment capacity of BRO.**
- (iii) Long Term Roll On Works Plan (LTRoWP) and Long Term Equipment Plan (LTEP) have been approved.**
- (iv) Enhanced financial and administrative powers have been given to the executives of BRO.**

**APPENDIX 'A' REFERRED IN THE REPLY GIVEN IN PARTS (a) & (b)
OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2755 FOR ANSWER
ON 17.3.2017**

**STATE WISE ROADS ENTRUSTED TO BRO IN THE COUNTRY FOR
NEW CONSTRUCTION / IMPROVEMENT:**

S. No.	State / UT	Nos. of roads	Length (in km)
1	Andaman & Nicobar	1	23.94
2	Arunachal Pradesh	99	5267.51
3	Assam	4	100.61
4	Himachal Pradesh	11	924.52
5	Jammu & Kashmir	231	7122.47
6	Manipur	21	1838.00
7	Mizoram	11	888.44
8	Nagaland	10	841.18
9	Punjab	10	276.68
10	Rajasthan	53	2621.02
11	Sikkim	37	910.17
12	Tripura	2	201.04
13	Uttarakhand	27	1117.01
14	West Bengal	2	92.60
	Total:	519	22225.17
