## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3084 ANSWERED ON 3<sup>RD</sup> AUGUST, 2017

### **BRIDGE ON BRAHMAPUTRA**

3084. SHRI BADRUDDIN AJMAL:

# Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of the long pending public demand for construction of Dhubri-Phulbari Bridge over river Brahmaputra to connect the State of Assam and Meghalaya with the rest of the nation;
- (b) whether the Government has ordered for preparation of DPR for Dhubri-Phulbari Bridge, if so, the details thereof:
- (c) the reasons for delay in construction of this bridge;
- (d) whether any consultations were held with the Ministry of Finance for budgetary allocation for construction of the bridge, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the time by which it is likely to be started along with status of rehabilitation of people rendered homeless due to this project?

#### **ANSWER**

# THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

- (a) to (c) The Detailed Project Report for construction of Dhubri-Phulbari bridge over river Brahmaputra to connect the State of Assam and Meghalaya is under preparation by the National Highway & Infrastructure Corporation Limited (NHIDCL). The draft DPR is presently under examination in consultation with the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA).
- (d) The Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance, has been requested for posing the project to JICA.
- (e) It is too early to specify the time by when the project and rehabilitation od affected people is likely to start as it will depend on the acceptance of DPR by JICA.

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