GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2973

ANSWERED ON 11TH JULY, 2019

Z-MORH TUNNEL PROJECT

2973. DR. FAROOQ ABDULLAH:

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

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the pace of work on Z-Morh Tunnel project in Jammu & Kashmir is very slow and needs to be accelerated;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the present status of work on the said tunnel; and
- (c) the time-frame set for completion of work thereon?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

- (a) & (b) Yes Sir, The Z-Morh tunnel project was awarded on BOT (Annuity) basis with Concession Period of 20 years including 5 years of construction period. But, due to financial crisis of IL&FS group of companies, the Concessionaire stopped all work w.e.f. 20.07.2018. NHIDCL is in the process of foreclosure of Concession Agreement. The project has been re-tendered on 24.06.2019. The bid due date is 01.08.2019.
- (c) The Construction period for the project would be 42 months from the Appointed Date.
