GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2950 ANSWERED ON 5TH DECEMBER, 2019

UPGRADATION PROJECTS ON NH-2

†2950. SHRI CHHEDI PASWAN:

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

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that 192 km. road stretch from Varanasi in Uttar Pradesh to Aurangabad in Bihar on National Highway (NH)-2 is in very poor condition and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether six laning of the said NH was set to be completed by March, 2014 but only 20 per cent of the work has been completed so far and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the time by which the Government is likely to complete the said project and improve the present condition of the existing four lane highway?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

- (a) Yes Sir, about 18 km length out of total 192 km of Varanasi to Aurangabad section of National Highway (NH)-2 is in poor condition.
- (b) Yes Sir. The work of six laning was originally scheduled to be completed by March, 2014. As on date, 113.72 km out of total length of 193.4 km has been completed. The work was delayed due to non-availability of construction material, poor planning by the Concessionaire and delay in land acquisition.
- (c) The likely date of completion of the work is December, 2020. The repair and maintenance work has been taken up and is likely to be completed by end of second week of December, 2019.
