GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4282 ANSWERED ON 19TH MARCH, 2020

CONNECTIVITY PROJECTS WITHIN NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

4282. SHRI MANISH TEWARI:

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

be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken to improve connectivity within the National Capital Region especially between Delhi and Gurugram in view of the traffic snarls that commuters face everyday;
- (b) whether the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has finalized a proposal for two roads connecting Gurugram and Delhi through Aravali Biodiversity Park and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the environmentalists have raised concerns on passing of these roads through a biodiversity park and if so, the details thereof along with the remedial measures being taken in this regard; and
- (d) the present status of the aforementioned roads and the time by which these are likely to be completed?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) The projects namely Eastern Peripheral Expressway (EPE) and Delhi-Meerut Expressway have been taken up through National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) for improving connectivity in National Capital Region. The EPE project has been completed. Various other projects for connectivity between Delhi and Gurugram have also been taken up such as construction of underpasses at IFFCO Chowk, Signature Tower and Rajiv Chowk on Delhi – Gurugram road which have been completed. Some other projects i.e. Dwarka Expressway, Improvement of T-Junction near Dhaula Kuan Metro Station & improvement of T-Junction near Defence Area on NH-48, Construction of Flyover and Underpass at Hero Honda Chowk on Delhi – Gurugram road, Construction of Grade Separated U Turn on NH-48 near Ambience Mall and Grade separated U Turn near DLF Phase II etc. have also been initiated. The Detailed Project Report (DPR) for Western Airport Connectivity from Dwarka Expressway through tunnel and Rangpuri Bypass has been initiated. Moreover, the DND-Faridabad-Ballabgarh project has also been conceptualized in this National Capital Region.

(b) to (d) The feasibility study has been initiated. The environmentalists have raised concerns in this regard. The alignment of this road has not been finalized and the same is envisaged for finalization in consultation with all the stakeholders including State Governments.