

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4819**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2025

**OPENING OF DEFENCE ROADS FOR PUBLIC ENTRANCE NEAR SAINIK  
NAGAR**

4819. SHRI JAGADISH SHETTAR:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the measures being initiated by the Government for opening of the Defence Roads near Sainik Nagar, Chouglewadi-Papamala and Basav Colony entrances which were utilized by the Public to reach Market/ Hospitals/Schools/Colleges since decades and are presently blocked for entry to the public by the Defence authorities;

(b) whether these roads have been kept locked/blocked for public entry on the grounds of security threat; and

(c) if so , the details thereof?

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MINISTER OF STATE  
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(SHRI SANJAY SETH)

(a) to (c): Following roads in Belgaum in the State of Karnataka have been closed by Army Authorities considering Security threat to the defence establishments and safety of civil population: -

- (i) Sainik Nagar Road: The road traverses through the Military Area. An alternate road exists for the residents of Sainik Nagar. The matter is presently subjudice before Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka.
- (ii) Chouglewadi-Papamala Road: The road is passing through the notified Firing Range of Indian Army. Fencing of defence land has been undertaken for security and safety of local population to avoid injuries during firing. An alternate route is available for the residents.
- (iii) Basav Colony Road: Army Authorities have reported that no such road exists. An access through A-1 defence land was being used earlier by the local public which was stopped due to security concerns. An alternate road is already available for public use.

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