

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2141
ANSWERED ON 12TH FEBRUARY, 2026**

DELAY IN HIGHWAY PROJECTS IN PUNJAB

2141. DR RAJ KUMAR CHABBEWAL:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

(a) Whether it is a fact that there has been considerable delay in the progress of many of the 29 highway projects inaugurated by the Government in 2024 in Hoshiarpur, Punjab;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor, project-wise;

(c) The details of the total cost escalation in the proposed projects due to the delay in their execution;

(d) Whether the Government is taking any measures to ensure the completion of all these highway projects in a time-bound manner and if so, the details thereof, project-wise; and

(e) Whether the Government is planning any new highway projects in the State of Punjab and if so, the details thereof especially in the Hoshiarpur Lok Sabha Constituency?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (e) 29 nos. of highway projects inaugurated/foundation laid in 2024 in Hoshiarpur consist of 16 nos. of National Highways (NH) projects and 13 nos. of projects on State roads under Central Road Infrastructure Fund (CRIF) Scheme.

Government in the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways is primarily responsible for development & maintenance of NHs.

The Government in Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH) also allocates funds for State Governments / Union Territories (UTs) for development and maintenance of State Roads under the CRIF Scheme as per the provisions of the amended CRIF Act, 2000. The criteria inter-alia provides for finalization of list of projects by State Governments/ UTs to be approved by MoRTH. Administrative Approval, Technical Approval and Financial Sanction of projects of the approved list is given by concerned State Governments/ UTs, with permissible excess cost of upto 10 percentage over approved cost. Further responsibility for Project implementation lies with the concerned State / UT Government, with Project monitoring and quality control of works to be done at State / UT level at regular intervals ensuring timely completion of works. Government in MoRTH releases funds to the State Governments / UTs based on the submission of Utilization Certificates of funds released earlier under CRIF.

Out of 16 nos. of NH projects, 14 nos. NH projects are delayed for various reasons such as delay in handing over of land, delay in statutory clearances / permissions, delay in approval of General Arrangement Drawing (GAD) of Railway ROBs / RUBs and Force Majeure events like heavy rainfall, etc. The project wise details are at Annexure-I.

Out of 13 nos. of State Road projects finalized under CRIF scheme, State Government of Punjab has not given Administrative approval of 6 nos. projects. The progress/award of remaining 7 no. projects are delayed for various reasons such as delay in handing over of land, delay in statutory clearances / permissions, delay in approval of GAD of Railway ROBs, etc. The project wise details are at Annexure-II.

The Ministry actively monitors NH projects in close coordination with project implementing agencies, State Governments, contractors / developers. Periodic review meetings are held at various levels, and steps are taken to remove site hindrances and to improve liquidity of funds available with contractors/developers, to expedite progress. Possession

drives are carried out in close coordination with the State Government and District Administrations.

In addition, various initiatives have been taken to avoid or reduce project delays, including streamlining land acquisition & environment clearances, online approval of General Arrangement Drawing (GAD) of Railway ROBs/RUBs, revamping dispute resolution mechanism, in active collaboration with the State Governments and other stakeholders.

Development and maintenance of NHs is a continuous process. Works on NHs are accordingly taken up based on the traffic density, condition of road and synergy with PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan to keep the NHs in traffic worthy condition.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2141 FOR ANSWER ON 12TH FEBRUARY, 2026 ASKED BY DR RAJ KUMAR CHABBEWAL REGARDING DELAY IN HIGHWAY PROJECTS IN PUNJAB.

Details of 16 nos. NH projects in Punjab which were inaugurated/foundation laid in Hoshiarpur, in 2024.

Sr. No.	Project Name	Total Length (km)	Total Project Cost (Cr.)	Appointed Date	Scheduled Completion Date	Actual/Expected Completion Date
1	4-laning of Phagwara to Hoshiarpur road (NH 344B) including Phagwara & Hoshiarpur Bypass under Bharatmala Pariyojna (Design length: 48.622 km) in the State of Punjab on Hybrid Annuity Mode.	48.62	1196.38	31.03.2025	30.03.2027	31.03.2027
2	Construction of 4-Lane (Partial Access Controlled) Laddowal Bypass from km. 0.000 to Km.17.041 Linking NH-95 with NH-1 via Laddowal seed Farm at Ludhiana in the State of Punjab on Hybrid Annuity Mode	17.041	438.6	28.06.2017	25.12.2019	05.04.2021
3	Four Laning of existing two lane with paved shoulder road from Talwandi Bhai to Ferozpur NH-05 (Old NH-95) from km 170.380 to km 194.040 in the state of Punjab on EPC mode	23.66	354.52	15.01.2019	13.01.2021	10.02.2022
4	Construction of Six Lane Flyover at km 315+200 and Construction of entry/exit ramp from km 320+300 to km 320+840 and Construction of Additional Two Lane ROB on Both sides of Existing Four Lane ROB at km 311+865 along with approaches and Construction of VUP at km 311+770 along with improvement of Sherpur Chowk on Panipat-Jalandhar section of NH-44 (Old NH-1) in the state of Punjab	3.5	107.68	15.03.2021	15.09.2022	17.05.2023
5	Construction of LVUP near Dakoha railway crossing at Jalandhar City on old NH-01 (New NH-44) at Km. 370.100 including entry/exit in State of Punjab on EPC mode.	0.985	13.66	21.02.2022	20.02.2023	29.12.2023
6	Work of construction of 4-lane with paved shoulder of Ferozpur Bypass from existing Ch. km 212.500 to km 229.690 (design Ch. km 231.270) section of NH - 354 on EPC Mode in the State of Punjab. (LENGTH = 18.770 KM).	18.77	539.4			Work was originally sanctioned on 12.12.2023 but due to non-handing over of land, civil work component of sanctioned provision is deleted and revised estimate for Rs. 122.17 Cr is sanctioned for completion of pre-construction activities.
7	Construction of Dadwindi realignment starting from existing Km 36.250 and terminating at existing Km 38.650 including 2-lane ROB on NH-703A on EPC mode in the State of Punjab. (Job No: NH-703A-PB-2022-23-568)	2.4	114.6			Work was sanctioned on 31.03.2023 but due to non-handing over of land, civil work component of sanctioned provision is deleted and revised estimate for Rs. 24.98 Cr is sanctioned for completion of pre-construction activities.

8	Rehabilitation and Up-gradation to 2 Lane with paved shoulders of Patto Jawahar Singh Wala to Dina village Kangar road section of NH-254 Design Chainage from Km 38+000 to Km 51+200 in the State of Punjab.	13	94.6	28-08-2024	20-02-2026	31-12-2026
9	Construction of 2 lanes ROB over L.C.NO. S-53/T-2 atCH. 50+665 of NH-703A (Jalandhar - Kapurthala - Sultanpur Lodhi - Makhu) in the State of Punjab on EPC mode. (Job No. NH-703A-PB-2021-22-556)	1.06	87.51	21-12-2023	20-12-2025	31-12-2026
10	Four Laning with paved shoulders from Km 29.00 to Km 36.25 Section of Jalandhar Kapurthala Sultanpur Lodhi Lohian Makhu Road, NH-703A, (7.25 km), and strengthening of existing road from km 23.400 to km 1229.000 & from km 36.25 to km 3713.68 stretch of NH-703A	7.25	52.99	08-12-2023	07-06-2025	30-04-2026
11	Construction of Rail Over Bridge in lieu of 15f Railway Crossing no.E/2 on Ferozepur-16r-Fazlika Rail section at Km 2/4-5 & on NH-95(New NH-05) section Ferozepur to Indo Pak Border at km 205.320 (near Ferozepur city & village Madhre) in the State of Punjab on EPC mode. (Job No. NH-95 (New NH-05)-PB-2021-22-550)	0.01	43.44	08-07-2024	20-03-2026	31-12-2026
12	Providing Road safety and flood damage repair from Km 54.00 to 60.800 on Jalandhar – Kapurthala – Sultanpur Lodhi (Dadwindi) – Lohian Makhu Road NH 703A in the state of Punjab on EPC Mode.	6.8	17.77	08-12-2023	07-12-2024	30-04-2025
13	Rehabilitation and up-gradation to 2 lane with paved shoulder of NH-703A from Makhu (Design Ch 0+000) to Arifke (Design Ch 24+600) including construction of two ROB's (Project Length =24.600 km) in the State of Punjab on EPC mode.(Job No. NH-703A-PB-2017-18-489)	24.6	192.48	15-11-2019	14-05-2021	30-06-2024
14	Construction of 4 lane ROB and its approaches in lieu of existing level crossing LC No.92-C at Km 63 on NH-503E in Nangal near Ajouli Mour in the State of Punjab	1.3	58.77	17-12-2019	16-12-2021	30-11-2023
15	Four Laning with paved shoulders of the road section from Km 4.040 to Km 12.720 (length 8.680 Km) on Jalandhar-Kapurthala-Sultanpur Lodhi-Makhu NH-703A.	8.68	39.68	20-02-2019	19-02-2020	30-11-2022
16	Strengthening of road from Km 0.00 to 0.715, Km 1.880 to Km 4.04 and from Km 37.680 to Km 48.49 of NH 703A under NH Division PWD B&R Jaandhar in the state of Punjab on EPC Mode	13.415	19.34	28-02-2022	15-03-2023	15-03-2023

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Details of 13 nos. CRIF projects in Punjab which were inaugurated/foundation laid in Hoshiarpur, in 2024.

Sr. No.	Project Name	Total Length (km)	Total Project Cost (Cr.)	Appointed Date	Scheduled Completion Date	Actual/Expected Completion Date
1	Construction of Railway Over bridge on Jandiala Gehri Khujaja road crossing Amritsar Dehli Railway line at C-36/T-3 railway crossing in Distt. Amritsar.	RoB	45.75	-	-	-
2	Constn. of High Level Bridge 5 Span 20.60 m each off over East Being X-ing Jalandhar-Jandiala- Nurmehal Talwan Road Near Village Kangniwal km 12.80 in Distt.Jalandhar	RoB	10.00	27.11.2024	26.11.2025	30.09.2026
3	Construction of ROB at LC No. S-55 Section Kartarpur-Kapurthala road at RD 448/ T-3 SNL-ASR Rail Setion	RoB	45.00	-	-	-
4	Construction of 4 lane ROB at Level Crossing No. S-25/E-2 old (A-25) at Km 0.800 to MDR-48 in Distt. Tarn Taran	RoB	82.88	19.06.2024	18.06.2026	30.06.2026
5	Upgradation of Ludhiana-Rahon Road (MDR-54)	11.43	43.46	29.12.2023	28.09.2024	31.08.2026
6	Four laning of old Amritsar- Tarn Taran road section from Km 114.200 to 126.500 in District Amritsar & Tarn Taran (MDR-103)	12.30	61.24	09.02.2024	08.02.2026	31.03.2027
7	Hard shouldering and Strengthening G.T road to Ghari Mandi and Jandiala Tarn Taran Road (MDR-89)	17.97	12.19	18.12.2023	17.11.2024	31.12.2025
8	Upgradation of Road from Amritsar Delhi National Highway (NH-1) Tangra to Muchal to Dehriwal To Tarsikka to saidpur to Udhonangal Amritsar Hoshiarpur Road (NH 503A) (Excluding section Muchal to Dehriwal) in Distt.Amritsar.	21.00	13.76	-	-	-
9	Upgradation of Road from Amritsar Hoshiarpur Road (NH-503A) Khojala to Tarsikka to Saidpur to Nath di khui along distributary to Tarsika to Amritsar Delhi National Highway (NH1) Tangra to Ekalgadda Upto Jandiala Verowal Road in Distt.Amritsar.	30.70	22.34	-	-	-
10	Construction of New Road on Dhusi Bandh Traverse along River Ravi from Ghonewal Ramdass Road to Gulgarh in District Amritsar	53.22	78.42	24.11.2025	23.05.2027	23.05.2027
11	Widening/ Strengthening of Subhanpur- Nadala-Bholath Road (MDR-47)	17.61	42.49	-	-	-
12	Upgradation & Strengthning of Plan road Lahori Mal (Gharinda) to Dhand in Constituency Attari in District Amritsar (ODR)	11.91	12.30	-	-	-
13	Upgradation of Beas to Dera Baba Jaimal Singh Sathiala Butala Kartarpur Raod (MDR-89)	20.47	20.26			