

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2272
ANSWERED ON 12TH FEBRUARY, 2026**

MUMBAI-CENTRIC PROJECTS

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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether several ongoing NHAI projects connecting Mumbai with major cities such as Delhi, Nagpur, Pune and Goa, including the Delhi-Mumbai Expressway, Mumbai-Nagpur Samruddhi Mahamarg and Mumbai-Goa National Highway, have suffered repeated delays and cost escalations and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether land acquisition hurdles, contractor non-performance and frequent re-tendering have adversely affected timely completion of these projects and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any corridor-wise review or fixed revised completion timelines for these Mumbai-centric projects and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether delays have impacted freight movement, port connectivity and daily commuters in the Mumbai Metropolitan Region; and

(e) the corrective steps being taken to enforce accountability, ensure quality standards and expedite completion of all NHAI projects connecting Mumbai with other major cities?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) Delhi-Mumbai Expressway:- The Project of Delhi Mumbai has been divided into 48 no. of packages having a length of about 1350 km and some of

the packages got delayed due to issues relating to land acquisition, delay in tree cutting permission, delay in Utility Shifting and Concessionaire default. As of now, the cost of implementation is within sanctioned cost of overall Corridor. About 875 km length of Expressway has been opened to traffic. Further, the revised scheduled date for completion for the section from Delhi to Vadodara is May, 2026 and for the section from Vadodara to Mumbai is June, 2026 except works in 3 packages in Gujarat which are targeted for completion in Financial Year 2027-28.

Mumbai-Goa National Highways:- Mumbai (Panvel) to Goa/Maharashtra border National Highway (NH) No. – 66 is having total length of about 485 km. The civil construction works for development of this NH to four-lanes was started in phased manner in 12 project packages with commencement of first package in December,2011. As on date, four-lane work has been completed in 465 km length and the works in balance 20 km length is under implementation with target for completion in phased manner in June, 2026. Project was delayed due to land hindrances, delay in clearances and slow progress by some of the contractors.

Samruddhi Mahamarg has been developed by the State Government of Maharashtra. The expressway has been opened to the traffic.

(d) & (e) Regular meetings to review the progress of these projects are held with all stakeholders including the State Governments to expedite the progress and ensure early completion of all projects connecting Mumbai.
