

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1917**  
ANSWERED ON 10<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2015

**BLOCKING OF NH 58 AT CHAMOLI**

1917. MAJ GEN B C KHANDURI AVSM (RETD):

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether traffic on Lambagad stretch in Chamoli on National Highway No. 58 is affected as it frequently gets blocked;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken in this regard as it is the only road connecting Badrinath Shrine and important strategic Military establishments on China Border including the number of days this stretch remained blocked during each of the last three years and the current year, year-wise;

(c) whether the Government has prepared any action plan to make this stretch motorable throughout the year in view of its importance from the point of view of its strategic location; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the tunnels and/or alternate alignments proposed and funds provided?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) & (b) The Lambagad stretch in Chamoli on National Highway no. 58 (New NH 07) gets damaged frequently due to landslides and heavy rains blocking the movement of traffic. The details regarding number of days for which the stretch remained blocked during last three years and current year, are as follows:

Year	No of days
2012	12
2013	76
2014	32
2015	36

(c) & (d) The work of Land slide mitigation to make the stretch motorable throughout the year near Lambagarh at km. 504.309 of NH-58 was sanctioned by the M/o Road Transport & Highways for Rs. 9187.68 lakhs. The State PWD of Uttarakhand has invited the tender. Presently there is no proposal for tunnel and/or alternate alignment. The existing alignment has been proposed for strengthening.

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