GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2267 ANSWERED ON:04.12.2000 CONSTRUCTION OF TUNNEL IN ROHTANG PASS MAHESHWAR SINGH

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made in regard to the construction of a tunnel in Rohtang Pass, Himachal Pradesh;

(b) the amount allocated for the construction of the tunnel during the current financial year;

(c) whether the construction work of the tunnel has commenced;

(d) if so, the progress made in this regard and the target fixed for its completion; and

(e) if not, the time by which construction work is likely to commence and the problems being faced in starting the construction work of the tunnel?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJOR GENERAL (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI, AVSM)

(a) The Geological investigation for the proposed alignment of tunnel in Rohtang pass has just been completed.

- (b) Nil
- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise.

(e) At this stage it is too early to indicate the time frame for the construction of the tunnel.