

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6520
ANSWERED ON:09.05.2002
TAMLUK-DIGHA PROJECT
NITISH SENGUPTA

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the work on Tamluk-Digha project after spectacular progress during 2000-01 came to a stop during 2001-02;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefore;
- (c) whether a number of suppliers of the contractors have not been paid their dues;
- (d) if so, whether the dispute arose among the three contractors and the SE. Railways has been settled; and
- (e) if so, the time by which the work on the project is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): This is not known to the Railways. The matter does not pertain to Railways.

(d) & (e): Due to delay in completion of the work, the contracts have been extended from time to time as per contract conditions. The request of the contractors to amend the contract conditions is not considered acceptable. Tamluk-Bajkul has already been completed. Bajkul-Kanathi section is - targeted for completion during 2002-2003.