

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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CONSTRUCTION WORK OF OVER BRIDGES IN MAHARASHTRA
RAMSHETH THAKUR

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are aware that the construction work of over bridge at Ghatkopar and some other railway stations in Maharashtra has not been completed so far despite the fact that the construction was started two three years ago;
- (b) if so the reasons for delay in completion of these over bridges; and
- (c) the steps taken for early completion of the construction work of these over bridges ?

Answer

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RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a) Construction of over bridge is joint work of Railways & State Govt. Railways construct the bridge portion i.e. the portion over the Railway track and State Govt. constructs the approaches to the bridge. At Ghatkopar, Railway has completed its portion of work on 31.8.2001. Work on approaches is being carried out by Brihan Mumbai Municipal Corporation.

(b) Delays take place generally due to following reasons;

- i) Delay in finalization of approach alignment and acquisition of land by the State Govt. bodies.
- ii) Fund constraints with State Govt.
- iii) Difficulties in removing of encroachments on approach portion of bridges.
- iv) Delay in shifting of services coming under the approach portion of work etc.

(c) The concerned State Govt./Local Bodies are impressed upon through regular meetings at various levels to expedite the works.