GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2600 ANSWERED ON:10.08.2005 MYSORE BANGALORE CORRIDOR PROJECT Shivanna Shri M

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

- (a) whether the construction of Mysore-Bangalore corridor project has been stopped indefinitely;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the initiative taken by the Union Government to restart the work on the said project?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) to (c): The Ministry is responsible for maintenance and development of National Highways. Mysore-Bangalore Express Corridor is a State road project. Therefore, Karnataka Government is responsible for construction work of this road.

However as per the information received from State Government of Karnataka the construction of Bangalore-Mysore Infrastructure Corridor Project involves 111 km. long road and development of 5 townships. Out of which, work in 41 km. of peripheral road, 12 km. of expressway and development of 1 township has been earmarked for Phase-1. Even in Phase-1, development is proposed to be taken up in stages. In stage-1, work of 41 km. of peripheral road has been taken up. The work has commenced on 5th February, 2004 and is in progress. There are some problems related to land acquisition in Stage-1 for which, Karnataka Industrial Area Development Board has taken steps for acquisition of private land. The State Revenue Department is taking action to transfer Government land on lease basis and Ministry of Environment & Forest is taking necessary steps pertaining to forest land.