

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION  
LOK SABHA**

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INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS UNDER NLCPR  
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**Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of infrastructure projects undertaken under the Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources (NLCPR) and North-East Development Fund during each of the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) whether the work on bridges being constructed on the Malli-Fod Road across river Ravi in South District and on river Teesta at Gaur, Lower Jangu in North District of Sikkim is still pending several years after it was started and expiry of the scheduled date of completion;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether major portion of the payment has been made to the contractors even without the completion of work;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (f) whether any inquiry has been conducted/proposed to be conducted in this regard; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER, MINISTRY OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION ( SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE )

(a): The State-wise number of infrastructure projects under Non-Lapsable Central Pool Resources (NLCPR) are given in the table below:

State	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
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Arunachal Pradesh	15	13	10
Assam	37	18	25
Manipur	13	10	16
Meghalaya	15	9	12
Mizoram	6	5	4
Nagaland	9	15	7
Sikkim	6	8	4
Tripura	6	3	21
Total	107	81	99

There is no fund namely "North East Development Fund".

(b)&(c): Yes, Sir. The construction of bridge on Melli - Phongla road over river Rabi Khola and bridge over river Teesta at Gaur were sanctioned in December, 2005 and February, 2004 respectively. As per the latest report received from Govt. of Sikkim, the physical progress of the bridge on road Melli-Phongla over Rabi Khola is 78% and that of bridge over river Teesta at Gaur is 98%. The initial target date of completion of bridge on Melli-Phongla road over Rabi Khola and bridge over river Teesta at Gaur was March, 2007 and March, 2005 respectively. The completion of bridges was delayed due to heavy monsoon.

(d)&(e): Both the bridges are implemented by the State Government of Sikkim. The bridge on Melli-Phongla road over Rabi Khola was approved at Rs.497.30 lacs. The North East Council (NEC) released Rs.404.70 lacs so far. As per latest report received from State Government, the State Government incurred expenditure of Rs.386.81 lacs which is 78% of the approved cost and commensurate with the physical progress.

In case of bridge over river Teesta at Gaur, the approved cost of the project is Rs.488.57 lacs. The North East Council so far released Rs.409.00 lacs. The State Government reported expenditure of Rs.438.94 lacs (NEC Share + State Share) which is 90% of the approved cost and also commensurate with the physical progress.

(f) No, Sir.

(g) Does not arise.