

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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CONSTRUCTION OF CHAMBAL BRIDGE
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Chambal Bridge (RJ-5) near the Kota is under construction;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the present status of this bridge?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS(SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) to (c): Yes, sir. The work of design, construction and maintenance of a Cable Stayed Bridge of 700m length across river Chambal (RJ-5) on Kota by-pass awarded by National Highways Authority of India on Turnkey basis to Joint Venture of M/S Hyundai Engineering & Construction Company Ltd., (South Korea) and M/S Gammon India Ltd., (Mumbai) on 07.11.2006. The scheduled date of completion of the bridge was 06.03.2010 as per the contract. A portion of the under construction bridge collapsed on 24.12.2009 when the physical progress was around 60%. Modalities are being worked out for completion of the bridge keeping in view the findings of the Committee of Experts constituted by Government to investigate the cause of collapse, and, taking into account various issue on safety, durability and design aspects of the existing structure. Meanwhile, civil contractor has started dismantling work along with testing of integrity of RCC well foundations for pier P-4 along with adjoining rocky strata, and the present status and progress is as under:-

Dismantling of upper 2.5m portion of well shafts of Pier P4.

Fabrication / procurement of form work for piers.

Preparation work for casting of 15m span pre-stressed concrete pre-cast girders for Access Bridge.

Shuttering and reinforcement work for slabs in span P19-P20 and P20-P21 of Access Bridge.

Review of detailed designs for Cable Stayed Bridge.