

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

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CONSTRUCTION OF NS ES CORRIDORS AND GQ PROJECTS

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

- (a) whether the construction works on Golden Quadrilateral and East-West, North-South Corridors have been completed;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor, State-wise and project-wise alongwith the time by which the said projects are likely to be completed;
- (c) the details of the time and cost overruns incurred thereon;
- (d) whether the quality of roads constructed under the said projects has been found sub-standard;
- (e) if so, the details thereof, projectwise; and
- (f) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure compliance of quality norms in construction of roads under these projects?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) No Madam. Out of 5846 km of Golden Quadrilateral (GQ) construction to 4/6 laning has been completed in 5827 km (99.6%). As regards, North South & East West Corridor, out of total length of 7142 km, 4/6 laning has been completed in 5733 km (80.2%). State wise details of GQ, NS-EW projects under implementation with time overrun and reasons for delay are annexed. As regards, cost overrun, it is applicable only to Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) contracts. In such contracts, escalations due to delay are paid as per contract provisions. In case the project is delayed due to reasons attributable to the contractor, liquidated damages are imposed and no escalation is paid.

(d) No Madam.

(e) & (f) Do not arise.