

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1282
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OVERBRIDGE AT SARAIGHAT
Deka Shri Ramen

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

- (a) whether the progress of second bridge over Brahmaputra river at Saraighat is going at a slow pace;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (d) the time by which the construction of said overbridge is likely to be completed?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) Yes, madam. Initial delay was due to shifting of pipe line of Oil India Ltd. Thereafter, there was modification in design and change in scope of work of signal free traffic interchange at Jalukbari which involves additional acquisition of land and this resulted into slow progress of work. The project started in Oct, 2006 with the scheduled date of completion in April, 2010. Total length of the project is 4 Km with 1.5 Km bridge portion. The present physical progress of the project is 45%.
- (c) Utility shifting and acquisition of additional land accomplished in June, 2011 after continuous persuasion with the State Government.
- (d) Target date of completion is December, 2012.