

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

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CONSTRUCTION OF RAIL OVER BRIDGES  
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**Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has been assigned the work to construct Rail Over Bridges (ROBs) in the States of Kerala and Gujarat;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years;
- (c) whether the construction work on the said ROBs has been delayed;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

- (a) & (b) Yes, Madam. The details of ROBs completed during the last 3 years under various phases of National Highways development project (NHDP) in the States of Gujarat and Kerala are annexed.
- (c) to (e) The construction of some ROBs works have been delayed due to delays in approval by the Ministry of Railways for their design /drawing, safety clearances and traffic block. To expedite implementation of ROBs, Zonal Chief Bridge Engineers, Railways and Regional Offices of NHAI have been designated to act as Nodal Officers. NHAI has also issued comprehensive policy guidelines for compliance in conformity to the Ministry of Railway's norms for ensuring fast track approval from the Railways.