

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

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

- (a) Whether there is any proposal for construction of bridges in Middle Strait and Humphrey's strait of Andaman and Nicobar islands by preparing separate Detailed Project Report (DPR) delinking from total DPR of NH-223;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time frame by which the construction of the said bridges likely to be started?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (DR. TUSHAR A. CHAUDHARY)

(a)&(b): No Madam. The Detailed Project Report (DPR) is being prepared for Portblair-Mayabunder -Diglipur Section (km 0 to km 61, km 104 to km 142 & km 155 to km 333) of NH-223 in the Union Territory of Andaman & Nicobar Islands including bridges in middle strait and Humperry strait. However, the DPR consultant has been directed to make available the detailed design & cost estimation reports under separate section of these bridges in the body of the main reports, so that report of these bridges may be taken out from the main report for taking action on priority for the bridges portion only, if required.

(c): The above mentioned stretch has not been segregated for taking up under 1st tranche of loan assistance from World Bank, it is not possible to indicate any fixed time frame.