

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3198
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CONSTRUCTION OF OVERBRIDGES ON NH
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the project relating to the construction of overbridges and roads on the NH-58 at the Muzaffar Nagar-Meerut section under the National Highway Development Programme (NHDP) Phase-III has been delayed;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor including the steps being taken to expedite the completion of the project;
- (c) whether any action has been taken against the contractor/company concerned for the delay;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the time by which the project is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R. P. N. SINGH)

(a)to(d): Yes, Sir. The construction of Muzaffarnagar-Meerut section of NH-58 including over bridges under NHDP Phase-III has been delayed due to delay in land acquisition, shifting of utilities, forest clearances and approval from Railways for over bridges. To expedite the completion of the project,all efforts are being made for making the balance encumbrance free sites available to the Concessionaire and meetings are being held with the State Government officials to clear the above impediment. As the matters of delay were beyond the control of the Concessionaire, no action has been taken against the concessionaire.

(e) The project is likely to be completed by December, 2009.