

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

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

- (a) whether the tunnel constructed near the Dat Kali Mandir on NH-73 connecting Dehradun is facing problems due to daily traffic jam causing inconvenience to commuters;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has approved the proposal for constructing a new tunnel or alternate way near Dat Kali Mandir;
- (c) if so, the details and the present status thereof; and
- (d) the time by which this new tunnel or alternate way is likely to be constructed?

Answer

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

(a) Yes, Madam

(b) to (d) Tunnel near Dat Kali Mandir falls on NH-72A and not on NH-73. The proposal for land acquisition on most suitable alignment for new two lane tunnel adjoining existing tunnel in km. 34 on NH-72A (New NH No. 307) at Dat Kali Mandir is yet to be received from PWD, Uttarakhand. Subsequent to the receipt of the same, it may be considered for sanction based on availability of fund and inter se priority of works.