

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7251
ANSWERED ON:21.05.2012
JAMMU SRINAGAR HIGHWAY
Beg Shri Mirza Mehboob

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

- (a) whether the construction/repairing works on Jammu-Srinagar National Highway (NH) have been delayed;
- (b) If so, the reasons therefor alongwith the present status thereof;
- (c) Whether the Government proposes to take up Jammu-Srinagar highway on priority basis so as to connect the land locked Kashmir valley by a quality highway with the rest of the country; and
- (d) If so, the details thereof and the time by which the works on the said NH are likely to be completed?

Answer

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

(a) No, Madam.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) & (d) Government has approved up-gradation of Jammu-Srinagar Section of National Highway-1A under National Highway Development Programme (NHDP) Phase-II on Built Operate Transfer (BOT), Annuity mode. Out of the six sub projects, four projects have already been awarded. The details are as under:-

Sl. No.	Section	Anticipated date of completion	Present status (Progress in %)
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1	Srinagar to Banihal	June, 2014	1%
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2	Quazigund to Banihal Tunnel portion	June,2014	6%
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3	Chenani to Nashri Tunnel portion	May,2016	27%
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4	Jammu to Udhampur	June,2014	15%
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Public Private Partnership Appraisal committee (PPPAC) / Cabinet Committee on Infrastructure (CCI) approval for remaining two sub projects namely (i) Udhampur-Ramban and (ii) Ramban-Banihal are to be obtained. The construction period of Udhampur-Ramban project is 3 years and of Ramban- Banihal is 3.5years from appointed date.