

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

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RELOCATION OF WATER PIPELINE ON SURAT-HAZIRA SECTION OF NH-6

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

(a) whether the National Highways Authority of India (NHA) has taken note of the fact that the main water pipeline of Heavy Water Unit of Department of Atomic Energy (DAE) & Krishak Bharati Cooperative Limited (KRIBHCO) are likely to be damaged due to expansion layout of Surat-Hazira section of NH-6 as a result of which major water leakages will happen which will stop production of AAE & KRIBHCO leading to huge losses;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to take any action in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be relocated; and

(d) if not, the reasons for delay in relocating the water pipeline?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI SARVEY SATHYANARAYANA)

(a) to (d) National Highways Authority of India (NHA) has taken note of the expansion layout of Surat-Hazira section of NH-6. A flyover is under construction at nearby Icchapore Junction and the design and alignment of retaining walls of flyover are being suitably modified to save the water supply line of Heavy Water unit of Department of Atomic Energy (DAE) & Krishak Bharati Cooperative Limited (KRIBHCO) to avoid its shifting. For the portion of water pipeline coming under service road, suitable encasement/ protection measure would be taken. With these additional measures, the shifting of W/S line could be avoided or minimized and the production of heavy water may not be affected. Work of road construction is going on wherever space is available. Utmost care is being taken up by the Concessionaire to avoid damages. Concessionaire is also planning for some change in design arrangement of Reinforced Earth-retaining Wall as well as encasement/ protection measure of water pipeline in this affected area, if possible; otherwise the shifting of water pipeline in minimum affected area/ length would be required. No timelines could be suggested at this juncture as action for relocation of pipeline is dependent upon the availability of land.