

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:296
ANSWERED ON:18.03.2013
PORT CONNECTIVITY PROJECTS
Kalmadi Shri Suresh

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

- (a) the details of the port connectivity projects taken up by the Government under the National Highways Development Projects (NHDPs), State-wise;
- (b) the present status of these projects and the funds earmarked/allocated and utilised for the purpose, State-wise;
- (c) whether there is any delay in completion of some of these projects and if so, the details thereof, State-wise along with the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to expedite completion of the said projects and fix the time by which these projects are likely to be completed?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (DR. C.P. JOSHI)

(a) to (d) A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 296 ANSWERED ON 18TH MARCH, 2013 ASKED BY SHRI SURESH KALMADI REGARDING 'PORT CONNECTIVITY PROJECTS'

(a) to (d) Details of the all Port Connectivity projects, state wise, their present status/ progress made till February 2013, total project cost, funds utilised and reasons for delay are placed at Annexure-I. Out of 9 projects, 5 projects of Port Connectivity have already been completed, 2 projects have been substantially completed and one project is scheduled to be completed by June 2013. One project has been transferred to the State Government of Goa for implementation in compliance with the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court's. All possible efforts are being made to improve the progress and actions being taken as per conditions of the contract. Regular meetings are held with Railway authorities to speed up the requisite approvals. The projects are continuously reviewed and monitored and all the possible corrective measures are taken in time to improve the progress.