

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2850
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BEAUTIFICATION OF CONNAUGHT PLACE
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the work relating to beautification of Connaught Place, New Delhi undertaken in view of the Commonwealth Games has not been completed, so far;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of funds granted/utilized in this regard, as on date; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken for speeding up the said beautification work?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) & (b): The New Delhi Municipal has informed that deadlines for completion of Beautification of Connaught Place have been revised due to following reasons:

(i) Award of work delayed as the project required statutory clearance as mentioned below:

(a) Approval by JNNURM-29.08.2008.

(b) Approval by DDA Technical committee – August, 2008.

(c) Approval from Ministry of Environment and Forest – 23.09.2008.

(d) revised approval by DUAC after completion of Pilot Project – 17.11.2008. Contâ€2/-

(ii) Space constraints and charted and uncharted utilities affected progress of work, restricted permission from Delhi Traffic Police.

(iii) stoppage of work from August, 2010 to February, 2011, due to commonwealth Games, 2010, demobilization and remobilization due to CWG, 2010.

(c): Rs. 400 crore has been granted for this purpose, out of which Rs. 368.93 crore has been utilized.

(d): The Project Coordination Committee constituted by NDMC, monitors the progress of the work and accord necessary decision/approval required during the progress of the work. A task force has also been constituted to assist Engineers India Ltd. (EIL) and Executive Engineer (CP) for day-to-day liaison.