

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

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FOUR LANING OF CUTTACK ANGUL HIGHWAY

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

(a) whether the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has signed the concession agreement with a construction company for four-laning of 112-km. long Cuttack-Angul stretch on Design, Build, Finance, Operate and Transfer pattern;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the company is facing any hurdles in the execution of this project; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by NHAI to help the company to overcome these hurdles?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b) Yes, Madam. The Concession Agreement for four laning of Cuttack-Angul section for a length of 112 Km of NH-42 on Design, Build, Finance, Operate and Transfer (DBFOT) pattern was signed with M/s Ashoka Buildcon Limited on 14.03.2013.

(c) & (d) Initially, there has been delay in land acquisition and environment and forest clearance. However, more than 80% of land as per the requirement of Concession Agreement to commence the work has been acquired. MoEF clearance has been obtained and non-forest area from forest clearance has been de-linked. Now, there is no hurdle to commence the work by the concessionaire.