

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

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ROAD PROJECTS UNDER EPC MODE
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the road projects taken up by the Government under Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) mode during the last three years and the current year along with their present status;
- (b) the details of the projects which have missed their deadlines during the said period along with the reasons therefor and the time by which these projects are likely to be completed;
- (c) whether the National Highways Authority of India has urged the Government to take up road projects on Engineering, Procurement and Construction mode in place of Public Private Partnership mode; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) to (d) The Government introduced Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) mode of contract for construction of National Highways recently. About 730 kms of National Highways have been awarded by the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) in the current financial year under EPC mode. As such, question of missing the deadline does not arise. Due to economic slowdown, the NHAI intend to take up projects on EPC mode which are not viable, or there is no response from the bidders on Public Private Partnership mode.