

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

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CONSTRUCTION OF NS CORRIDOR UNDER GQP

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

- (a) whether the Golden Quadrilateral Project (GQP) and the North-South Corridor therein has been completed as originally envisaged;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons for the delay alongwith the revised date of completion of the said project;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to make additions/diversions to the length of GQP;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including West Bengal, Orissa and Karnataka;
- (e) the present status of the construction work of four-laning of the Nargispur-Lakhnadaun- Sheoni-Nagpur stretch of the North-South link road of the North South Corridor;
- (f) the original estimated cost of the project alongwith the cost overruns due to delay in implementation of the said project; and
- (g) the time by which the said project is likely to be commenced/completed?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH)

(a) & (b) No, Sir. Golden Quadrilateral was targeted for completion by December, 2003. About 98% of Golden Quadrilateral has been completed and 4 laning of entire GQ is targeted to be completed by Dec. 2010. North South and East West Corridor (NS-EW) was targeted for completion by Dec. 2007. About 59% of NS-EW has been completed and NS-EW Corridor is targeted for substantial completion by Dec. 2010. The projects have been delayed mainly due to problems associated with land acquisition, shifting of utilities, obtaining environment and forest clearances, poor performance of contractors, law and order problems in some states, etc.

(c) & (d) No, Sir.

(e) to (g) The details of the stretch from Narsinghpur-Nagpur Section are enclosed as Annex.