

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RAILWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1620  
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RE CONSTRUCTION OF ROB AT GHATKOPAR  
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether reconstruction of old Rail over Bridge near Ghatkopar, Mumbai, Central Railway has started;
- (b) whether delay in construction of new RoB adjacent to the existing one has delayed due to start of reconstruction work;
- (c) if so, the reasons for delay in reconstruction work;
- (d) the funds allocated for reconstruction of Rail over Bridge in Ghatkopar;
- (e) the target fixed for completion of said project; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government to complete the work in prescribed time ?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS ( SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA )

(a): No, Sir.

(b) & (c): Railway's portion of work on the new ROB had been completed in June 2001. Delay was in construction of approaches by Municipal Corporation. Now traffic has been diverted from existing ROB to new ROB from 26.12.2002 but MTNL cables and BMC Pipe lines are yet to be removed from the bridge after which Railway work will be taken up.

(d): Work on Railway portion is likely to cost Rs. 1.5 cr, and sufficient funds are available.

(e): Railway portion will be completed within 18 months after starting of work which however depends upon clearance of impediments mentioned against Parts (b) & (c).

(f): Contract has been awarded and action is initiated to get MTNL cables & BMC Pipelines shifted.