

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

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DELAY IN CONSTRUCTION OF NH 24
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the construction work being carried out on NH 24 has been delayed;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of the time by which such construction work is likely to be completed;and
- (d) the details of the steps being taken for the expeditious completion of the said NH?

Answer

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

(a) to (d) Total length of NH-24 from Delhi to Lucknow is 500 Km. The section falling in Delhi (Km.0.00 to Km.8.00) is eight laned. The section of NH-24 from Delhi/UP border to Hapur (Km.8.00 to Km.58.00) is four laned. The construction of four laning of Hapur-Garhmukteshwar section (Km.58.00 to Km.93.00) was scheduled for completion in September, 2007. The same has been delayed and is now targeted for completion by December,2011. The main reasons for delay are delay in tree cutting, shifting of utilities/electric lines by concerned State Government Departments and removal of encroachment. The section from Garhmukteshwar to Moradabad (Km.93.00 to Km.149.25) is already four laned. Agreement for four laning of Moradabad - Bareilly section (Km.149.25 to Km.262.00) has been signed on 19.02.2010 with concession period 25 years including 30 months construction period. Agreement for four laning of Bareilly - Sitapur section (Km.262.00 to Km.413.200) has been signed on 22.06.2010 with concession period 20 years including 30 months construction period. The construction of four laning of Sitapur - Lucknow section (Km.413.200 to Km.488.270) was scheduled for completion in June, 2009. The same has been delayed and is now being targeted for completion by December, 2010. The main reasons for delay are land acquisition and removal of encroachment. The section from Km.488.270 to Km.500.00 is already four laned. Regular monitoring and review of projects is being done by National Highway Authority of India (NHA) for completion of four laning of NH-24.