

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1586
ANSWERED ON -08/03/2021

CONSTRUCTION WORKS ON GOOTY SECTION PROJECT, AP

1586. SHRI Y.S. CHOWDARY:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that construction works, rehabilitation and upgradation of Karnataka/Andhra Pradesh (AP) border Gooty Section Project from KM 368.920 to KM 425.2550 in the State of Andhra Pradesh is yet to be completed;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken/being by Government in this regard ?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

- (a) Yes Sir.
- (b) This work has been awarded on 31.03.2016 with appointed date of 06.05.2016 and scheduled completion date of 05.05.2018. At the time of appointed date, land was available in less than 50% length. One RUB and one ROB across the railway lines were to be constructed in this project. Due to delays in land acquisition / approval of GADs/designs of ROB, slow progress of contractor as well as due to COVID-19 conditions, the project got delayed.
- (c) The authority issued several notices to the Contractor including cure period notice and intention to termination notice after which, the Contractor's progress has improved. Subsequently, Bank Guarantee of the Contractor was released under Atma Nirbhar Bharat Policy to facilitate his cash flow. Now the progress has picked up and the work is in full swing with present progress of 63%. The project is likely to be completed by March, 2022.
