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Aerial survey of road and railway projects by the Governor

Itanagar. July 11: Continuing his persistent efforts to see that road and railway projects are completed in time, especially those under Prime Minister's special economic package to Arunachal Pradesh, Governor General JJ Singh made an aerial survey of the under-construction four-lane road from Itanagar to Gohpur, **reports PRO to Governor.**

Accompanied by officiating Secretary to Governor Sanjay Goel, Deputy Commissioner, Capital Complex and Superintendent Engineer (Highways) Er S. Sumnyang, the Governor also did an aerial survey of the railway project from Naharlagun to Harmuty, flood affected areas in the capital complex and the road block point near Karsingsa.

Interacting with officials of PWD (Highways), the Governor emphasized on proper drainage system while constructing the roads where he pointed that roads are damaged during rainy season due to improper drainage system. He also suggested for proper alignment of the roads to arrest blockage. Appreciating the effort of the department, he advised them to make mid-term corrections as applicable.

Acknowledging the tardy progress of the railway project, the Governor expressed his unhappiness and said that he will take up the matter with the Union Railway Minister.

Superintendent Engineer (Highways) Er. S. Sumnyang informed that formation cutting of the 20.7 km Itanagar to Gohpur road is in full swing. The work, which started in April 2012, will be completed by September end. Superintendent Engineer added that the Rs. 216 crores project is funded under Special Accelerated Road Development Programme (SARDP) and will be completed in four years.

Further giving details of the project, Executive Engineer (Highways) Er. Khodak Gyati informed that the road will have seventeen bridges, 29 RCC culvert and 57 hume pipes bridges, **adds the report**.