

**Government of Jammu and Kashmir  
Public works (R&B) Department**

**Calling Attendance Notice given by  
Mr. Sajjad Ahmad Kichloo, Hon'ble MLC**

**"To call the attention of the Govt. towards a matter of urgent Public importance namely the situation that has arisen due to closure of bridle paths falling in Sub-Division Marwah, Tehsil Wardwan Tehsil Machail and Block Ishtiyari besides non-restoration of Matigowran - Inshan and Sinthan - Daksum motorable road and steps taken in this regard.**

**Reply:-**

A number of bridle paths in various villages of Sub-Division Marwah, Tehsil Wardwan, Tehsil Machail and block Ishtiyari have been marginally damaged due to inclement weather. These bridle paths are being looked after by Rural Development Department. The restoration work of these paths will be taken up after melting of the snow.

The bridle path from Dangdoru to Nowpachi (falling in Marwah) is being maintained by R&B Department and has been restored for pedestrian traffic. Labour has been engaged for daily maintenance of the path to keep it open. Similarly another bridle path from Gulabgarh to Machail is also being maintained by R&B Department and has been restored for pedestrian traffic. Full restoration work for plying of mules on the said path shall be taken up in hand shortly by way of re-aligning sinking portion, removal/ cutting of snow at glacier points and other allied works.

**Matigowran Inshan road:**

Matigowran Inshan road is having a length of 50 Kms. First 24 Kms of the road from Matigowran to Margan Top fall within the jurisdiction of R&B Kashmir. The restoration by way of snow clearance for the said stretch of the road shall be taken up as soon as weather improves.

Similarly, the remaining 26 Kms from Margan Top to Inshan fall within the jurisdiction of the R&B Jammu and are being taken up for restoration after 15<sup>th</sup> April 2015 subject to fair weather conditions for which necessary initiatives have already been taken up.

### **Simthan - Daksum motorable road**

The total length of the road from Kishtwar to Simthan Top is 155 Kms. Presently the road is open for vehicular traffic upto 50 Kms from Kishtwar. The restoration work beyond 50 Kms up to 74 Km shall be taken up in hand after 15<sup>th</sup> of April 2015. The road beyond 74 Kms is with BRO and is being handed over to State PWD shortly. Once the entire road is taken over by PW (R&B) Department, detailed project reports for its upgradation shall be prepared as per the requirements of the road and submitted to Ministry of Road Transport and Highways for approval and funding.

  
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