



MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

RESPONSE TO THE STATEMENT SOUGHT IN THE HOUSE REGARDING THE STATE OF MAJOR ROADS IN THE COUNTRY, IN PARTICULAR THE KITALE- LODWAR- LOKICHOGGIO ROAD

The Member of Parliament Hon. Hon. Joyce Emanikor, MP for Turkana constituency, to ask the Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Transport, Public Works and Housing to issue a statement response on the state of major roads in the country, in particular the Kitale- Lodwar- Lokichoggio road. The Kitale- Lodwar- Lokichoggio Road was initially designed as part of the great Trans Africa Road that links to the northern corridor to enhance regional integration and ease trade between Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi, Southern Sudan and Democratic Republic of Congo. The road is also expected to facilitate access and development in Turkana County. Unfortunately, due to its current deplorable state, the road has led to increased road accidents and has exacerbated highway banditry

Question

- a) The amount of money allocated for the repair of this road in the Financial Year 2011/2012 and preceding years.

Answer

- a) The Ministry hereby submit the schedule for money allocated under Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA) for the repair of Kitale- Lodwar- Lokichoggio road in the Financial Year 2011/2012 and preceding years as follows:-

1. SCHEDULE OF ROUTINE MAINTENANCE WORKS UNDERTAKEN IN FINANCIAL YEAR 2011-2012.

NO	ROAD NAME	ROAD SECTION	L KM	CONTRACT SUMS	PROJECT STATUS
1	Shikhendu- Nadapal	A1	537	24,800,000.00	Complete
3	Lokichoggio-NB sudan (Nadapal)	A1	26	2,600,000.00	Complete
4	Makutano - Lokichoggio	A1	145	18,125,000.00	Complete

5	Lodwar-Makutano	A1	70	8,750,000.00	Complete
6	Lokichar- Lodwar	A1	81	10,625,000.00	Complete
7	Kainuk- Lokichar	A1	85	10,125,000.00	Complete
8	Marich Pass- Kainuk	A1	30	6,000,000.00	Complete
12	Kawalathe Drift	A1	0.5	500,000.00	Complete
13	Kalemungok Drift	A1	0.5	400,000.00	Complete
14	Kalobeyei Drift	A1	1	500,000.00	Complete
15	Ortum Box Culvert	A1	-	27,500,000.00	Complete
16	Wakor Bridge	A1	-	100,000.00	Complete
17	Kainuk Bridge	A1	-	500,000.00	Complete
Total				143,485,000.00	

2. SCHEDULE OF ROUTINE MAINTENANCE WORKS UNDERTAKEN IN FY 2012-2013 AND FY 2013-2014

(2A) ROUTINE MAINTENANCE PROJECTS FINANCIAL YEAR 2012 – 2013

NO	ROAD NAME	ROAD SECTION	L KM	CONTRACT SUMS	PROJECT STATUS
1	Kalemongorok - Lodwar	A1	1	4,740,000.00	Complete
2	Lokichogio - Nadapal	A1	26	4,840,680.00	Complete
3	Lokichar - Lodwar	A1	81	7,331,000.00	Complete
4	Makutano - Lokichoggio	A1	145	8,134,600.00	Complete
5	Marich Pass - Kainuk	A1	30	8,078,100.00	Complete
6	Kainuk - Lokichar	A1	85	9,808,000.00	Complete
7	Kitale - Kapenguria	A1	41	13,345,000.00	Complete
8	JN A1 - Makutano	C47	17	4,267,500.00	Complete
9	A1 - Makutano - NB Ethiopia	C47	168	8,335,050.00	Complete
Total				68,879,930.00	

**(2B) ROUTINE & EMERGENCY MAINTENANCE PROJECTS FINANCIAL YEAR 2013
- 2014**

NO	ROAD NAME	ROAD SECTION	L KM	CONTRACT SUMS	PROJECT STATUS
1	Kapenguria – Marich Pass	A1	41	17,068,760.00	On-Going
2	Lokichar - Lodwar	A1	81	4,006,100.00	On-Going
3	Lokichar – DB West Pokot	A1	100	4,091,000.00	On-Going
4	Makutano - Lokichoggio	A1	145	14,900,000.00	On-Going
5	Ortum Washout Emergency works	A1	-	5,000,000.00	Not commenced
Total				45,065,860	

3. SCHEDULE OF ROUTINE MAINTENANCE WORKS PROGRAMMED TO BE UNDERTAKEN IN FY 2014-2015

(3A) ROUTINE MAINTENANCE PROJECTS FINANCIAL YEAR 2014-2015

NO	ROAD NAME	ROAD SECTION	L KM	BUDGET ALLOCATION
1	Kapenguria – Marich Pass	A1	41	30,000,000.00
2	Lodwar - Makutano	A1	70	18,221,000.00
3	Lokichar - Lodwar	A1	81	14,385,000.00
4	Makutano - Lokichoggio	A1	145	19,180,000.00
5	Marich Pass - Kainuk	A1	30	11,508,000.00
6	Kainuk - Lokichar	A1	85	21,098,000
7	Kitale - Kapenguria	A1	41	50,000,000.00
8	JN A1 - Makutano	C47	17	2,877,000.00
9	A1 - Makutano - NB Ethiopia	C47	168	19,180,000.00
Total				186,449,000.00

(3B) DRIFTS FINANCIAL YEAR 2014-2015.

NO	ROAD NAME	ROAD SECTION	L KM	BUDGET ALLOCATION
1	Kalobeyi Drift	A1	1	1,918,000.00
2	Kawalathe Drift	A1	0.5	1,918,000.00
3	Kalimongorok Drift	A1	0.5	1,918,000.00
Total				192,203,000.00

b) The steps the Government is taking to construct the road and the timelines.

Answer

The Government has already initiated the process of the rehabilitation works for the sudan Link from Lesseru- Kitale- Lodwar - Nakodok at the Southern Sudan/ Kenya border.

The project is divided into three design packages and each assigned to Three (3) different Consultants as follows:-

- i. **Lesseru – Marich pass** Section – awarded to Kocks Inginuere of Germany
- ii. **Marich pass - Lodwar** Section - awarded to Egis BCEOM of France
- iii. **Lodwar - Nakodok** Section – awarded to Sheladia & Associates Inc. of USA

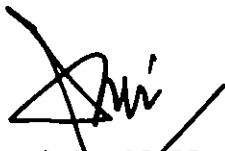
The status of the designs are also as follows:

- i. **Lesseru – Marich pass** Section:- Is in detailed design stage to be completed in April, 2014.
- ii. **Marich pass- Lodwar** Section :- Detailed design completed and are under final review.
- iii. **Lodwar- Nakodok**:- Detailed design completed and are under final review.

- c) The role the UN will play given the fact that the road was rapidly destroyed by heavy UNHCR trucks in the 'operation lifeline sudan OLS' then dubbed the biggest relief operation in Africa.

Answer

The United Nations (UN) does not ordinarily support infrastructure projects and as such their financial support for reconstruction of the road is not envisaged. The Ministry has however, approached various development partners including the World Bank, African Development Bank, European Union and JICA for financial support in reconstruction of the above road sections. Hence upto date the Ministry has not received any confirmation from the donors to reconstruct Kitale-Lodwar- Lokichoggio road. The other alternative measures the Ministry is undertaking is, to budget for the reconstruction of this road in the next financial year 2014-2015.



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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Question (b)

1.0 BACKGROUND

- The North Rift Region has been carrying out routine maintenance works on the two roads:- Kitale- Lodwar- Nadapal (A1) Road (approx. 550 km long) and Makutano- Lokitang NB Ethiopia (C47) Road (approx. 170 km) in each Financial year. Also Emergency Maintenance works have been undertaken resulting from washout of road sections.
- The road between Kitale in Kenya to Juba in South Sudan, referred to as the Kenya- Sudan Link Road, is part of the International Trunk Road A1. It is one of the major corridors identified for support under the Northern Corridor Project. This is part of the link road from Southern Sudan to the Port of Mombasa. It forms part of Corridor 3 of the high priority trans-national road corridors under the East African Community Road Network.
- The road A1 starts from northern border of Tanzania at Isebania through Mukuyu, Kisumu, Kakamega, Kitale, Lodwar, Lokichoggio to Nandapal and Juba. When completed, the road is expected to contribute to economic growth in the region through increased trade and better access for landlocked countries to the port of Mombasa.
- In May 2009, the World Bank extended a credit in the amount of some US\$ 4.0 Million (Ksh 320 million equivalents) to meet the cost of studies and designs for strengthening and upgrading of the road. The scope of services covers Feasibility Studies, Detailed Designs and Tender Documentation in three separate assignments for three sections of the 605 km road by consultants who have been procured for the respective road sections.

2.0 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Sudan link is divided into Seven (7No.) construction works packages and Three (3No.) Design Consultancies as outlined below:

(a) The Lesseru- Marich Pass section is approximately 155 kilometers and is divided into two contract packages namely:

- (i) Lesseru – Kitale - Murkwijit
- (ii) Murkwijit – Marich Pass

Kocks International of Germany are the consultants for this section.

The major construction work features are:

- i) Interchanges at Lesseru over A104/ B2 and A1/C48 road junctions.
- ii) Rehabilitation and upgrade of the road section
- iii) Railway overpass at Kitale
- iv) Construction Truck Parks at one location along the section

Presently, this section (Lesseru - Murkwijit - MarichPass) is dotted with recurrent potholes due to progressive failure of the road. However, the condition of the road is fair and generally motor-able.

(b) The Marich Pass – Lodwar section is approximately 205 kilometers and is divided into two works contract packages namely:

- (i) Marich Pass – Lokichar
- (ii) Lokichar – Lodwar

Egis BCEOM of France are the consultants for this section.

The major construction work features are:

- i) Replacement of 120m long Turkwel Bridge in Lodwar town
- ii) Construction of Truck Parking areas in Lokichar and Lodwar towns
- iii) Rehabilitation and upgrade of the road section

The riding surface on this section has failed almost completely. Detours are common in some areas. The condition is therefore poor by any standard.

(c) The **Lodwar-Nadapal section** is 240 kilometers long. It is divided into three contract packages each approximately 80kilometers.

Sheladia Associates Inc. of USA are the consultant for this section.

The major construction work features are:

- i) New construction for Lokichogio- Nadapal section which is 27 kilometers.
- ii) Rehabilitation and upgrade of the road section from Lodwar to Lokichogio.
- iii) Construction of One Stop Border Post at Nadapal
- iv) Construction of Lorry park at Lokichogio and Kakuma

The first 70 kilometers from Lodwar and Makutano has greatly failed and detours off the carriageway are common. The condition is therefore poor. However, the section between Makutano and Lokichogio town is in good condition. Finally, the section between Lokichogio and Nadapal has gravel surfacing. Drainage structures have however collapsed.

3.0 ESTIMATED PROJECT COSTS

The estimated cost for the section is as tabulated below. These estimates are based on the current ongoing works in the Northern Corridor.

Section of Corridor	No of Km	Estimated Cost
Lesseru-Kitale-Marichpass	155 km	15.8 Billion
MarichPass-Lowdar	205 km	20.7 Billion
Lowdar-Lokichogio-Nadapal	240 km	17.38 Billion
Total Estimated Cost	600 Km	53.88 Billion

The Ministry have confirmed funding for the last 80 kilometers towards Nadapal from World Bank

4.0 CONSULTANCY SERVICES

There are three number consultants as mentioned above for the following tasks in their respective sections:

- i) To carry out Feasibility study, Environmental and Social Impact Assessment
- ii) Prepare Preliminary and Detailed Engineering design and
- iii) Preparation of Tender Documentation for the project road

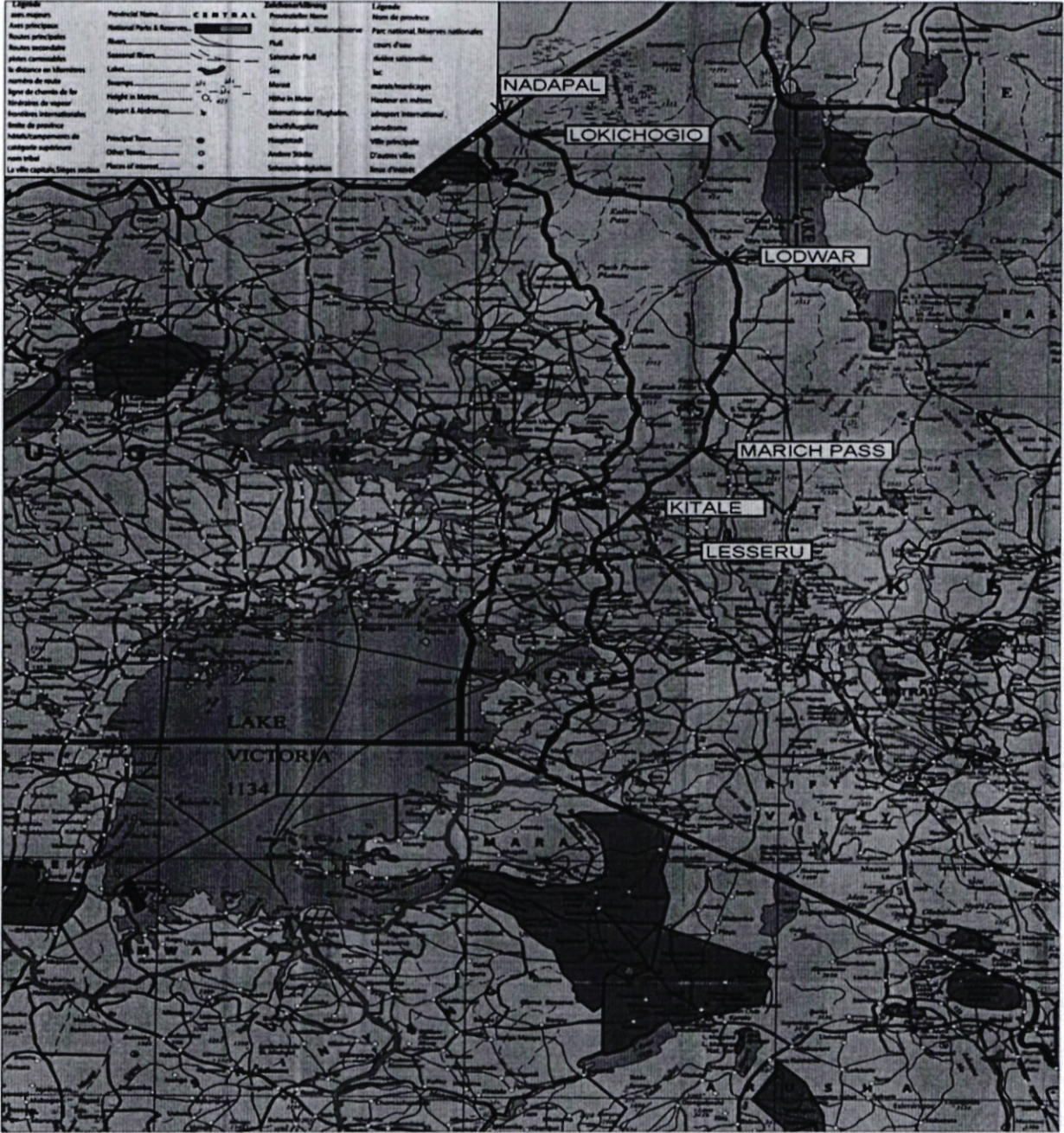
Other details about the consultants are as outlined in the table below:

No.	Section Name	Length	Consultant's Name	Status as at 4 th March 2014
1	Lesseru – Kitale – Marich Pass	155	Kocks International (Germany)	Detailed design On-going. Completion expected in April 2014
2	Marich Pass – Lodwar	205	Egis BCEOM (France)	Detailed Design completed and under review
3	Lodwar – Lokichogio – Nadapal	240	Sheladia Associates Inc. (USA)	Detailed Design completed and under review
Total		605		

ATTACHMENT

THE PROJECT LOCATION MAP

SUDAN LINK ROAD: LESSERU - MARICH PASS - LODWAR - LOKICHOGIO -NADAPAL





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MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Reference is made to your letter no. KNA/DC.L/CORR/2014/(12) of 27th February, 2014 and our subsequent advance response through letter Ref. No. MOTI/I/A.24.04 VOL. 19/7 of 13th March, 2014 on the above subject matter.

Attached, please find updated response on the questions asked by Hon. Joyce Emanikor, MP for Turkana Constituency regarding the state of major roads in the country, in particular the Kitale - Lodwar - Lokichoggio Road for your further necessary action.

Yours *Sincerely*

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