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PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION
ASKED BY

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TO

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QUESTION:

Can the Honourable Minister say:
(a) on what date physical construction works recommenced on the East–West Arterial extension following the Honourable Minister's commitment that construction would resume in September 2026;
(b) which section is presently under construction;
(c) the total contract value for this section;
(d) expenditure to date; and
(e) the anticipated completion date for that section?

ANSWER:

Mr. Speaker,

Physical construction works on the East–West Arterial extension have not yet recommenced, as the National Roads Authority continues to address the findings of the Environmental Assessment Board's final report.

Mr. Speaker, while works on the Agricola Connector Road, near the Woodland Roundabout, remain ongoing, these are separate from the next phase of the East–West Arterial extension, which will proceed towards KP Quarry in Bodden Town.

The NRA is currently undertaking preliminary activities, including drone surveys, technical assessments and coordination meetings, while progressing the required Section 20 permit.

The Construction Environmental Management Plan is also being updated to incorporate environmental impacts and the necessary control measures.

Mr. Speaker, meetings between the NRA and Department of Environment remain ongoing, alongside drone surveys and technical assessments. Heavy equipment cannot be activated until the required Section 20 permit is obtained.

Given the scale and significance of this investment, Government remains committed to ensuring all necessary procedures are followed before construction commences

With respect to the contract value, expenditure to date and anticipated completion date for the next section, these details have not yet been confirmed in the information provided.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.