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Construction of Baku-Tbilisi-Kars Railway in Georgian region will resume in March

The representative of Azerinsaatservis LLC., Vusal Aslanov, states that the global financial crisis has not affected the project

The reason for suspending the construction of the new railway line in the region from Ahalkalaki to Kars within the scope of Baku-Tbilisi-Kars railway line project is adverse weather conditions.

Vusal Aslanov, Deputy General Manager of the Azerbaijani company Azerinsaatservis LLC., stated that the global financial crisis had not affected the project. But, as of December 15, snow depth has reached approximately 1 meter and the roads are icy. This makes it not possible for heavy vehicles (articulated lorries) to move and also the workers to work in the open air, thus we have suspended the construction works.

During the preparation of the preliminary project, we encountered certain technical problems since the geological structure was not known in detail. It was concluded that everything would be re-learned and a new project would be prepared. However, the railway is constructed in complete compliance with the European standards and the preliminary plan has not been amended”, he said.

Vusal Aslanov highlighted that the construction works will be resumed as of March, 2009. /ANS TV/

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