## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS **RAJYA SABHA**

## **UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1565**

ANSWERED ON- 02/08/2021

## NH66 CONSTRUCTION IN KERALA

1565. DR. V. SIVADASAN:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:-

- (a) the status of National Highways (NH)66 construction in Kerala;
- (b) whether the construction process is going on as per the schedule; and
- (c) if not, the reasons for the delay?

## **ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (c) For construction purpose, NH-66 comprising length of 645 Km in the State of Kerala has been split into 24 civil packages. Road works in 2 packages have already been completed. Construction in 6 packages has been initiated. Road works for 7 packages have been awarded. Other 8 packages have been targeted for award in the Year 2021-22. Detailed Project Report (DPR) for 6 laning has not been started in one package.

Out of 6 packages in which road works have been started, 2 packages are progressing as per schedule. Road works of 4 packages have been delayed due to various reasons such as delay in utility shifting permission, delay in land acquisition, delay in permission of borrow areas, due to COVID pandemic.

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