

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO - 78
ANSWERED ON- 02/02/2022

STATUS OF NATIONAL HIGHWAYS IN TAMIL NADU

78. SHRI K.R.N. RAJESHKUMAR:

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

- (a) the details and the length of National Highways (NHs) in Tamil Nadu, particularly in Namakkal district;
- (b) whether Government has taken special steps for construction of more National Highways in the State;
- (c) whether it is a fact that some projects are pending for a very long time;
- (d) if so, the details of such projects and reasons for delay; and
- (e) by when these projects are likely to be completed?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) There are 50 National Highways (NHs) with a total length of 6858 Km in the State of Tamil Nadu. Out of these three NHs having length of 85.28 Km are in Namakkal district of Tamil Nadu.

(b) To construct more National Highways and to improve the pace of National Highway development projects in Tamil Nadu, issues relating to the State Government/District administration, utility owning departments, forests department and other concerned State/Central agencies are taken up with them for expediting land acquisition and other pre-construction activities. Additionally, regular monitoring is undertaken of projects by respective Authority/Independent engineer and Contractor/Concessionaire.

(c) to (e) The details of projects delayed for a very long time alongwith likely completion date of these projects are at Annexure-I. Delay in timely completion of projects is mainly due to delay/non-granting of permission for extraction of borrow earth, delay due to COVID, delay in land acquisition, forest and environmental clearances, shifting of utility services, slow progress of works by contractors etc.

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO PART (c) TO (e) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 78 FOR ANSWER ON 02-02-2022 ASKED BY SH. K. R. N. RAJESHKUMAR REGARDING STATUS OF NATIONAL HIGHWAYS IN TAMIL NADU.

Details of projects delayed for a very long time in the State of Tamil Nadu are as follows:

Sl. No	Project Name	Length (in Km)	Awarded Cost (Rs. in Crore)	Start Date	Completion date as per Contract Agreement	Likely Completion date
1	6 laning of Balance Work of Chennai - Tada from km. 21.40 to km. 54.40	33	295.97	28-03-2018	27-03-2020	31-08-2022
2	Four Laning of Chettikulam to Natham section of NH-785	29.39	345.54	05-11-2018	03-11-2020	31-07-2022
3	Vikravandi to Sethiyathopu section of NH - 45C in Tamil Nadu (Pkg I)	65.96	711	20-03-2018	18-03-2020	31-12-2022
4	Villukuri to Kanyakumari section from km 70/250 to km 96/714 of NH-47 and Nagercoil to Kavalkinaru section from km 0/0 to km 16/376 of NH-47B	42.7	559	08-07-2016	07-07-2018	31-03-2022
5	4L of Madurai to Chettikulam from km.0.00 to km 7.30 of NH-785	7.3	544.23	05-11-2018	03-11-2020	31-07-2022
6	4L of Cholapuram - Thanjavur section from km 116.4 to km 164.275 of Old NH-45C	47.84	1345.6	06-09-2018	04-09-2020	31-07-2022
7	Karaikudi - Ramanathapuram section from Km.94/000 to Km.174/000 including 500 m on SH 35	80	355.9	01-11-2017	29-04-2020	29-03-2022
8	Kerala / Tamil Nadu border to Villukuri section from km 43/0 to km 70/250 of NH-47	27.25	519.04	12-08-2016	11-08-2018	31-03-2022
9	4L of Sethiyathope - Cholapuram section from Km. 65.960 to Km. 116.440 section of NH-45 C (Pkg-II)	50.48	1461	16-08-2018	14-08-2020	31-07-2022
