

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO- 5
ANSWERED ON – 07/12/2022

FOUR LANE STATUS OF ULUNDURPET – SALEM NH 68 IN TAMIL NADU

*5. SHRI K.R.N. RAJESHKUMAR:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that, number of accidents are happening in Ulundurpet – Salem NH 68 in Tamil Nadu due to non completion of NH into four lanes;
- (b) if so, what is the current status of Ulundurpet – Salem NH 68 in Tamil Nadu; and
- (c) by when the above said NH will be converted into full stretch four lane National Highway?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

- (a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 5 ANSWERED ON 7TH DECEMBER, 2022 ASKED BY SHRI K.R.N. RAJESHKUMAR REGARDING **‘FOUR LANE STATUS OF ULUNDURPET – SALEM NH 68 IN TAMIL NADU’**.

- (a) to (c) Yes Sir. Accidents have been reported. The work of four laning of Salem – Ulundurpet section of NH-79 (Old NH-68) was commenced on 15.01.2008 with a concession period of 25 years. As per provisions of the Concession Agreement (CA), out of 136.36 Km, 97.97 km was to be constructed as four-lane and 38.39 km comprising 8 bypasses was to be constructed as two-lane with paved shoulders. The four-laning work on the stretch from km 0.313 to km 45.765 (excluding 2 bypasses) was completed on 01.09.2013 and four-laning work on the balance stretch from km 45.765 to km 136.670 (excluding 6 bypasses) was completed on 28.07.2012. As per the provisions of Concession Agreement, the four-laning work of 6 bypasses is scheduled to complete by July’2023 and four-laning work of balance 2 bypasses is scheduled to complete by August’2024.
