

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-897
ANSWERED ON- 14/12/2022

TOLL PLAZAS IN THE COUNTRY

897. SHRI NARAYANA KORAGAPPA:

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

- (a) the number of toll plazas in the country and in Karnataka;
- (b) the number of toll plazas operated by contractors and concessionaires in the country and in Karnataka;
- (c) toll plazas which have recovered construction cost and now charging maintenance cost as user fee in the country and in Karnataka;
- (d) toll plazas closed in the country and in Karnataka; and
- (e) whether all toll plazas have public conveniences, fuel refilling station, restaurant, parking bays, etc.?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

- (a) As on 30th November, 2022, 835 user fee plazas are operational on National Highways across the country under National Highways Authority of India out of which 54 user fee plazas are operational in the state of Karnataka.
- (b) At present, 514 user fee plazas are being operated by the contractors whereas a total of 321 fee plazas are being operated by the concessionaires across the country. In the state of Karnataka, 18 fee plazas are being operated by the contractors whereas a total of 36 user fee plazas are being operated by the concessionaires.
- (c) Concession period of Nashik Phata – Khed section of National Highway 60 has been completed on 8th October, 2021. The stretch has been handed over to National Highways Authority of India for tolling at reduced rates of 40% in accordance with National Highways Fee (Determination of Rates and Collection) Rules, 2008. However, tolling is yet to commence at Chandoli and Moshi Fee Plazas of Nashik Phata- Khed section.
- (d) There is no provision of closing of user fee plazas as per National Highways Fee (Determination of Rates and Collection) Rules, 2008, as amended from time to time.
- (e) National Highways Authority of India has made the provision of emergency services like Ambulance, patrolling vehicle and crane on 24x7 basis at every fee plaza and also there is a provision of toilet blocks for public use at fee plazas. Further, NHAI has also developed way side amenities at selected locations along few National Highways, wherein the project facilities like public conveniences, fuel refilling stations, restaurants and parking bays etc. have been developed.
