GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS **RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO - 2476** ANSWERED ON- 22/03/2023

NEW ROAD PROJECTS BETWEEN CHENNAI AND KANYAKUMARI ALONG THE EAST COAST

2476. DR. KANIMOZHI NVN SOMU:

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

- (a) Whether Government has any plan to initiate a new road project in Tamil Nadu between Chennai and Kanyakumari along the East Coast of Tamil Nadu;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the total estimated cost of this said project and the details of the funds to be generated for the same; and
- (d) whether Government has fixed any time limit for the completion of the said project and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a to d) Yes sir. Ministry has recently declared a new National Highway, NH 32 (July 2022) from Tuticorin to Kanyakumari of 120 km along the Coast between Chennai to Kanyakumari. DPR for 4 laning/upgradation of Tuticorin to Kanyakumari Section has already been taken up. Land Acquisition proposal of this section is under sanction. Construction works will be taken up after completion of Land Acquisition based on the outcome of DPR. The cost of the project and target completion have not yet been fixed.
