

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**STARRED QUESTION NO-178**  
ANSWERED ON-07/08/2024

**HIGHWAY PROJECTS IN TAMIL NADU**

178. **SHRI P. WILSON:**

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

- (a) whether Government has considered the request of State Government of Tamil Nadu to approve a flyover expressway project between Tambaram and Chengalpattu, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) if not, reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of progress and funds sanctioned to construct a Light Vehicular Underpass (LVUP) and a Pedestrian Underpass that are long pending as a part of widening Chennai-Tada National Highway into a six-lane facility; and
- (d) the details of steps taken to double the two-lane highways of the Dindigul- Theni-Kumilisection, the Tiruchy- Karaikudi section, and the Nagapattinam- Thanjavur section in Tamil Nadu?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 178 TO BE ANSWERED ON 7<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2024 ASKED BY SHRI P. WILSON REGARDING '**HIGHWAY PROJECTS IN TAMIL NADU**'.

(a) & (b) Development of National Highways is a continuous process. Ministry keeps on receiving proposals from various State Governments including Tamil Nadu for declaration/upgradation/development of NHs. Decisions are taken based on the fulfillment of the criteria, requirement of connectivity, inter-se priority and availability of funds and synergy with PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan. As far as de-congestion of stretch between Tambaram and Chengalpattu of NH-32 is concerned, DPR for development of stretch from Chennai and Trichy is awarded.

(c) The LVUP at Km 38+600 and widening of PUP at Km 50+180 of NH-5 is a part of ongoing 6-Laning of Chennai - Tada Section and revised date for completion is January, 2025.

(d) Bids for preparation of DPRs is invited.

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