

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1072
ANSWERED ON- 31/07/2024

STATUS OF ROAD PROJECTS IN PUDUCHERRY

1072. **Shri S. Selvaganabathy:**

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

- (a) the details of various road projects undertaken in Puducherry;
- (b) whether Government proposes to sanction a flyover project between Shivaji Statue and Indira Gandhi statue in the East Coast road in Puducherry;
- (c) if so, what is the present status, whether the Detailed Project Report for the said project has been undertaken; and
- (d) whether the Government will consider sanctioning more flyover projects for Puducherry to ease the traffic congestion, considering its importance and tourist attraction?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) An aggregate length of 37 km of three National Highways namely, NH 332 (Old NH 45A), NH 32 (Old NH 66) and NH 332A is situated in Puducherry. At present, 5 projects with a total design length of 43.14 km amounting to Rs.1560.59 crore have been undertaken for construction on these National Highways in Puducherry.

(b) to (d) The stretch from Shivaji Statue and Indira Gandhi statue is under maintenance by National Highways Authority of India (NHAI). NHAI has conducted a study which has recommended construction of a bypass for through traffic from Kalapettai on NH 332A (East Coastal Road) crossing this stretch at km 13/300 of Old NH 66 (New NH-32) and joining at km 24/800 of Old NH 45A (New NH 332), bypassing the aforesaid stretch to ease traffic congestion.
