

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-429
ANSWERED ON-23/07/2025

PRESENT STATUS OF ROAD CONSTRUCTION NATIONAL HIGHWAY 66

429. SHRI ABDUL WAHAB:

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

- (a) the present status of road construction of National Highway 66 from Kasargode to Trivandrum;
- (b) what aspects of road work has been completed;
- (c) whether it is a fact that the road construction after Malappuram district towards southern Kerala has not made any significant improvement;
- (d) if so, the reason for such delayed work in road construction in those areas; and
- (e) by when is the road work expected to get completed, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (e) There has been progress in development of NH 66 as per details annexed. However, there has been delay in certain projects due to issues related to land acquisition, limited availability of Right of Way for construction, delays in pre-construction activities, financial difficulties faced by contractors, force majeure events, and scarcity of construction materials etc.

To overcome these challenges and expedite project execution, the Government has undertaken various initiatives. These include streamlining and expediting the land acquisition process through Bhoomi Rashi portal, revamping the Parivesh Portal to facilitate faster forest and environmental clearances, enabling online approval of General Arrangement Drawings (GAD) for Road over Bridges (ROB) and Road under Bridges (RUB) from the Railways, and conducting review meetings at various levels with all stakeholders, including State Governments. The Government is taking all necessary steps for timely completion of these projects.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) to (d) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 429 ANSWERED ON 23/07/2025 ASKED BY SHRI ABDUL WAHAB REGARDING PRESENT STATUS OF ROAD CONSTRUCTION NATIONAL HIGHWAY 66.

Sr No	Name of Project	Scheduled date of completion as per CA/ Scheduled Revised date of Completion	Physical progress (%)
1.	6-laning of Thalappady to Chengala on NH-66 (Old NH-17) on HAM Mode.	15.05.2024/ 31.07.2025	98
2.	6-laning of Chengala to Neeleshwaram on NH-66 (Old NH-17) on HAM Mode.	11.04.2024/ 31.12.2025	79
3.	6-laning of Neeleshwaram to Thalipparamba on NH-66 (Old NH-17) on HAM Mode.	11.04.2024/ 31.12.2025	83
4.	6-laning of Thalipparamba to Muzhapilangadu on NH-66 (Old NH-17) on HAM Mode.	26.05.2024/ 31.03.2026	73
5.	6-laning of Azhiyur to Vengalam on NH-66 (Old NH-17) on HAM Mode.	26.04.2024/ 31.05.2026	58
6.	6 laning of Existing Kozhikode Bypass (i.e. Vengalam Jn. to Ramanattukara Jn.) of NH-66 on HAM mode.	21.02.2023/ 31.07.2025	96
7.	Balance work of widening of 4 nos existing 2 Lane major Bridge of 6-laning of Kozhikode Bypass (i.e. Vengalam Jn. to Ramanattukara Jn.) section of NH-66 on EPC Mode.	05.03.2026/ 05.03.2026	34
8.	6-laning of Ramanattukara to Valanchery on NH-66 (Old NH-17) on HAM Mode.	19.07.2024/ 28.02.2026	99
9.	6-laning of Valanchery to Kappirikkad on NH-66 (Old NH-17) on HAM Mode.	19.07.2024/ 31.12.2025	98
10.	4/6-laning of Kappirikkad-Thalikulam of NH-17 (New NH-66) on HAM Mode.	26.02.2025/ 31.03.2026	73
11.	4/6-laning of Thalikulam-Kodungallur of NH-17 (New NH-66) on HAM Mode.	14.03.2025/ 31.05.2026	67
12.	6-laning of Kodungallur- Edapally of NH-66 (Old NH-17) on HAM mode.	22.04.2025/ 31.05.2026	62
13.	6 lane Elevated Corridor from Aroor to Thuravoor Thekku section of NH 66 on EPC Mode.	30.01.2026/ 30.06.2026	62
14.	6- laning of Thuravoor Thekku – Paravoor section of NH-66(Old NH-47) on EPC Mode.	12.09.2024/ 31.05.2026	45
15.	6 laning of Paravoor to Kottukulangara section of NH 66(Old NH-47) on EPC mode.	24.02.2025/ 31.03.2026	62
16.	6 laning of Kottukulangara to start of Kollam bypass section of NH 66(Old NH-47) on HAM mode	08.10.2024/ 31.03.2026	71
17.	6laning of Start of Kollam Bypass to Kadambattukonam of NH-66 (Old NH-47) on HAM Mode.	29.03.2025/ 31.03.2026	77
18.	6- laning of Kadambattukonam to Kazhakuttom of NH-66 (Old NH-47) on EPC Mode.	18.01.2025/ 31.05.2026	39
