### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3171

ANSWERED ON 3RD AUGUST, 2017

### SERVICE ROADS

3171. SHRI VINOD LAKHAMASHI CHAVDA: SHRI KUNDARIYA MOHAN BHAI KALYANJI BHAI: SHRIMATI SAVITRI THAKUR:

# Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state: सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

- (a) whether the Government has any details about the removal of the service road on National Highways particularly in Gujarat;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; along with the law/rule for introducing the Highways without service roads in the country;
- (c) whether the toll fee is paid by the villagers who are staying near the toll roads; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the highways without service roads in the country including Gujarat?

### **ANSWER**

# THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

- (a) No removal of service road on National Highways is done including Gujarat.
- (b) Does not arise. Service roads are constructed in accordance with Concession Agreement.
- (c)&(d) The user fee is being levied and collected at fee plazas for the use of a section of National Highway as per NH fee Rules and provisions of the Concession / Contract Agreement. However, as per National Highways Fee (Determination of Rates and Collection) Rules, 2008, as amended, if service / alternative road is not available, a monthly pass shall be issued to a driver, owner or person in charge of a mechanical vehicle registered for non-commercial purposes who resides within a distance of twenty kilometers from the fee toll plaza. Further, a person, who owns a commercial vehicle (excluding vehicle plying under National Permit), registered with address on the Registration Certificate of a particular district shall be levied user fee at the rate of fifty percent of prescribed rates on all toll plazas which are located within that district. Service Roads are generally not provided near toll plazas to avoid evasion of toll.

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