

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1762**  
ANSWERED ON 20<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2018

**FASTAGS**

1762. SHRI B. VINOD KUMAR:  
SHRIMATI SANTOSH AHLAWAT:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS  
सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government plans to provide about 10,000 to 12,000 FASTags for vehicles attached to persons and dignitaries who are entitled for “free ride” through toll plazas on National Highways (NHs) across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is working on New Highway Toll Policy on “pay as you use” basis, if so, the details thereof along with the date line of list launch if any, decided;
- (d) if so, whether the Government has any plan to offer discounts to those who are using FASTags in order to promote the scheme, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if so, whether the Government has any data on the number of FASTags issued during the last 2 years, if so, State-wise and UT-wise details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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

(SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)

(a) &(b) A Standard Operating Procedure (SoP) for issuance of FASTags to various exempted categories as defined in National Highways Fee (Determination of Rates and Collection) Rules, 2008, as amended, is under consideration in the Ministry.

(c) No, Madam. No such policy is under consideration.

(d) For the current Financial Year (FY) 2018-19, a cash back of 5% is being provided on user fee collected through FASTag. For the FY 2019-20, there is a provision of 2.5% cash back for FASTag users.

(e) As on 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2018, a total of 36,83,192 number of FASTags have been issued. FASTags are issued by certified issuer banks only and these are interoperable & being used across all fee plazas in the country.

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