GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3005 ANSWERED ON 11TH JULY, 2019

SIX-LANING OF NATIONAL HIGHWAYS

3005. SHRI SHANMUGA SUNDARAM K.: SHRI VELUSAMY P.:

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

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has undertaken the projects of six-laning of existing Salem to Coimbatore National Highway (NH-544) including a ring road for the city of Coimbatore under the Bharatmala Pariyojana;
- (b) if so, the details and the present status thereof along with the funds allocated and utilized for the purpose;
- (c) the time by which the said work is likely to be completed; and
- (d) the other steps taken by the Government to complete the ongoing National Highway projects in Tamil Nadu in a time bound manner?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d) Yes Sir. Salem-Cochin stretch via Coimbatore is a part of North South Corridor classified as National Corridor under Bharatmala Pariyojana. The stretch from Coimbatore to Chengapalli is already six-lane and from Chengapalli to Salem is four-lane at present. The Detailed Project Report (DPR) for capacity augmentation for Chengapalli to Salem (103 Km) and for Coimbatore half ring road (81.80 Km) has been initiated. Development of road stretches is taken up depending upon the outcome of DPR, project viability and availability of funds. In order to expedite the completion of ongoing National Highways, coordination meetings are held with senior level officials of Government of Tamil Nadu.
