GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3115 ANSWERED ON 11TH JULY, 2019

ISSUANCE OF FASTAGS

3115. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: SHRI SANJAY SADASHIV RAO MANDLIK: SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS IM+d ifjogu vkSj jktekxZ ea=h

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has issued FASTags to ease the traffic congestion at various toll plazas on national highways across the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether all toll plazas do not have dedicated lane for FASTag holders and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the measures taken by the Government to have a dedicated lane for such tag holders at all the toll plazas;
- (d) whether some of the toll plazas are not accepting the FASTags and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the corrective measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) In order to facilitate smooth movement of traffic and reduce congestion on fee plazas, the Government has rolled out a cashless payment mechanism i.e. FASTag by implementation of Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) based Electronic Toll Collection (ETC) system on National Highways under which 22 banks have been engaged as issuer banks to issue FASTag to road users. At present, it is operable at 457 fee plazas on National Highways.

(b) to (e) Currently, 87 fee plazas are not live with ETC system. Government is making efforts for the work of installation of ETC for such fee plazas.
