GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5412

ANSWERED ON 25TH JULY, 2019

NH PROJECTS IN TAMIL NADU

5412. SHRI T.R. BAALU:

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

be pleased to state:

- whether the Chennai-Bangalore National Highway (NH-48) is one of the busiest NH (a) corridors in the country and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (b) whether any assessment of traffic density in the 80 km Chennai-Sriperumbudur-Kanchipuram stretch has been made by the Government and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to provide two-wheeler subways at Thandalam and Sandaivellore villages across NH-48 for ease of pedestrians including thousands of school children who cross the highway at peak hours and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the intersection/junction near Rajiv Gandhi Statue has a safe crossing-over facility and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) if not, whether the Government is considering any Grade Separator at Rajiv Gandhi Statue Junction at Sriperumbudur and if so, the details thereof;
- whether the Government has assessed all such bottlenecks in various NHs in the (f) country; and
- if so, the details thereof along with the remedial measures proposed by the Government (g) in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) Yes Sir. The Chennai-Maduravoyal stretch of Chennai-Bangalore National Highway (NH-48) is 4-lane. The work for 6-laning from Maduravoyal to Walajahpet was earlier awarded on BOT (Toll) mode with appointed date in June, 2012 but was terminated in July, 2016 due to Concessionaire's default. Now, the work of 6-laning from Sriperumbudur to Walajahpet has been awarded in two. packages with scheduled completion date as May, 2021 and February, 2021. Further, development

- of 6-lane elevated corridor from Maduravoyal to Sriperumbudur has been envisaged as part of Bangalore-Chennai Expressway, for which DPR has been initiated.
- (c) The Thandalam location is situated in Maduravoyal to Sriperumbudur Section of NH-48 for which DPR has been initiated. The Sandaivellore location is situated at km 52.500 of Sriperumbudur to Maduravoyal section of NH-48 on which 6-lane work has been initiated. As part of this 6-lane project, a Light Vehicular underpass has been envisaged for development at this location.
- (d) & (e) Development of flyover at km 41.200 and km 42.206 has been envisaged as part of 6-lane work on Sriperumbudur to Walajahpet section.
- (f) & (g) Permanent safety measures like grade separators, redesigning of junctions/ intersections etc. are provided duly taking into account the bottlenecks on road stretches subject to outcome of DPR/Feasibility Study.
