

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 944
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944. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to give priority to the widening of National Highways and if so, the details of the action taken thereon;
- (b) whether the Government has included National Highways development in Kerala in the priority list and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has received any representation from Member of Parliament, Kollam to take up the work of National Highways in Kollam region in the priority category and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the present status of the development of National and State Highways in Kollam region; and
- (e) the action taken by the Government for ensuring the development of National Highways in Kollam?

ANSWER

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

- (a)&(b) Development and maintenance of National Highways including widening of National Highways is a continuous process which are carried out based on traffic requirement, availability of funds and inter se priority of works. At present, there is no priority list for taking up projects under Bharatmala Pariyojana Programme and the same have been taken up for preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) and land acquisition.
- (c) Yes, Sir. The Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Kollam has requested for construction of four lane Kollam bypass and realignment of NH-66 between Mevaram and Umayanalloor in Kerala.
- (d)&(e) This Ministry is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways in the Country. Construction of 2 lane Kollam bypass on NH-47 (New NH-66) was completed in January, 2019. Besides, DPR for four/six laning of NH-66, widening to 2/4 lanning of NH-744 (from Kollam to Kottavasal), NH-183 (from Kollam to Anjilimoodu) and NH-183A (from Bharanikkavu to Vandiperiyar) around Kollam has been taken up by the implementing agencies of this Ministry.
