GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3770 ANSWERED ON 23RD MARCH, 2023

GREENFIELD HIGHWAY IN KERALA

3770. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to conduct alignment survey and accord sanction for a Greenfield highway between Thiruvananthapuram and Angamali in Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof and estimated cost thereof;

(c) whether the Government has received reports of dissent and issues about environment degradation and relocation of numerous small businesses and homes located along the main central road of Kerala for the proposed Greenfield highway and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government proposes to conduct a revised survey of the alignment to address the concerns raised by the public; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b) The work of preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for construction of 4-lane greenfield highway between Angamaly to Thiruvananthapuram has been taken up by National Highways Authority of India (NHAI). Alignment of greenfield corridor has been finalised. Project implementation will be taken up depending upon the priority and availability of resources after completion of the pre-construction activities.

(c) Yes Sir. Local people are demanding slight changes in alignment. Environmental Clearance is not yet obtained for greenfield alignment of the project.

- (d) No Sir.
- (e) Does not arise.