REVIVAL OF EXPRESSWAY PROJECT

1369. SHRI T.R. BAALU:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Chennai Port – Maduravoyal Elevated Expressway project abandoned since 2012 is proposed to be revived with the modified plan;

(b) if so, the details of the new project including cost;

(c) the time by which work is likely to commence;

(d) whether this project would be under PM Gati Shakti Scheme; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Government /NHAI for timely completion of the proposal?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (c) Chennai Port – Maduravoyal project, which was originally commenced on 14.09.2010, was suspended on 01.02.2012 due to the 'stop work notice' issued by the Water Resources Department (WRD), Govt. of Tamil Nadu (GoTN). Project was terminated in April, 2016. Subsequently, the project was revived by mutual agreement of stakeholders, viz GoTN, Chennai Port, Indian Navy & NHAI. A MoU in May 2022 was executed by the stakeholders for the project for construction of two level, 4-lane elevated road with 13 ramps (entry / exit) at first level. The project was approved on 06.03.2023 for construction in 4 Packages with an Estimated Project cost of Rs.5510 Cr and Capital Cost of Rs. 6106 Cr and is under bidding stage.

(d) to (e) The projects costing more than Rs.500 crore is planned through PM Gati Shakti National Master platform and routed through the same for comprehensive consultation and holistic planning.

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