

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2473
ANSWERED ON 3RD AUGUST 2023**

EXPANSION OF NH-744

2473. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether expansion and capacity reinforcement of Kollam-Thirumanglam National Highway (NH-744) is proposed;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated for the said purpose;**
- (c) whether bypasses will be constructed at Kottarakkara and Punalur as part of its expansion;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) whether any change in the alignment of the said NH has been proposed due to public demand and if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (e) The work of preparation of detailed project report (DPR) for four-laning of Edamon to Kadampattukonam and from Edamon to Kerala/Tamil Nadu border has been awarded. It is premature to ascertain the project features such as cost, length, alignment etc. at this stage.

The details of the stretch from Kerala/Tamil Nadu border to Thirumangalam section of National Highway (NH) - 744 having length of 146.900 km in the State of Tamil Nadu are annexed.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2473 FOR ANSWER ON 03RD AUGUST, 2023 ASKED BY SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH REGARDING 'EXPANSION OF NH-744'

Details of the stretch from Kerala/Tamil Nadu border to Thirumangalam section of NH-744

Sr. No	Name of Project	Length (in Km)	Funds sanctioned (Rs. in crore)
1	Four laning of Thirumangalam – Vadugapatti section of NH-744	36.000	1076.97
2	Four laning of Vadugapatti to Therkuvenganallur section of NH-744	35.600	1346.4
3	Four laning of Rajapalayam – Shenkottai section of NH-744 (Package-I)	35.400	DPR has been completed.
4	Four laning of Rajapalayam – Shenkottai section of NH-744 (Package-II)	32.900	
5	Four laning Puliyarai to KL/TN Border section of NH744.	7.000	Not assessed
	Total	146.900	
