GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3562 ANSWERED ON 10^{TH} AUGUST 2023

GREENFIELD HIGHWAY

3562. SHRI KESINENI SRINIVAS:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has approved a 32- kilometer greenfield highway from Chandrasekharapuram to Polavaram on the Bengaluru-Vijayawada Economic Corridor under the Bharatmala Pariyojana;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the time by which the construction is likely to be completed;
- (d) the details of employment opportunities that would be created through this project; and
- (e) the status of the other highway projects sanctioned in Andhra Pradesh under the Bharatmala Pariyojana?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) Yes Sir. The development of six-lane access controlled Greenfield Highway, from Chandrasekharpuram (km 228.000) to Polavaram (km 260.000) of National Highway (NH) - 544G in Bengaluru. Vijayawada Economic Corridor, amounting to Rs. 1292.65 crore has been sanctioned under Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase-I in the State of Andhra Pradesh. The work was awarded on 28.02.2023.

- (c) The scheduled completion period is 2 years from the appointed date. The appointed date of the project is declared upon fulfillment of condition precedent by Concessionaire (financial closure etc) and Authority (availability of encumbrance free land etc).
- (d) According to a report by IIT Kanpur, about 4000 person-days of direct employment and about 5200 person-days of indirect employment is generated per lane-kilometer of NH construction.
- (e) About 350 km length of NH projects have been completed. Around 585 km length of NH works are under implementation. Apart from these, around 790 km length of NH works have been awarded.
