GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1645 ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2019

LINKING OF MAJOR PORTS WITH NH-744

1645. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS सडक परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to link inter-State ports with NH-744 and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has any plan to include NH-744 (Kollam-Thirumangalam) under Sagarmala project and connect two major ports namely, Kollam in Kerala and Thoothukudi in Tamil Nadu;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (d) The project of widening of road connecting Kollam port to NH 744 for a length of 3 Km has been identified for development under port connectivity projects. Preparation of DPR for NH-744 connecting Kollam- Thirumangalam near Madurai has been taken up to be developed under Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase I through National Highways Authority of India (NHAI). From Madurai to Thoothukudi, the existing NH-38 (Old NH-45B) has already been 4-laned under BOT (Toll) mode and completed in the year 2011.
