GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4083 ANSWERED ON 12TH DECEMBER, 2019

FOUR LANING OF THANJAVUR-NAGAPATTINAM SECTION

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

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and the present status of four laning project on Thanjavur-Nagapattinam stretch of NH-67 in Tamil Nadu;
- (b) the reasons for delay and slow pace of work thereon;
- (c) the time frame set for completion of the project; and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government to expedite the work thereon?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d) The project of 2-laning with paved shoulders of Nagapattinam-Thanjavur section of NH-67 from km 1.600 to km 80.133 was awarded on EPC mode in April, 2015. The work was commenced in May, 2015 with scheduled completion in December, 2017. However, the progress achieved up to September, 2018 was only 30.57%. The work was delayed due to various reasons such as financial constraints of the contractor, poor mobilization of resources, delay in land acquisition etc. As milestones were not achieved in scheduled time, the contract was terminated in November, 2019.

The action for completion of balance works on this stretch (excluding Tiruvarur Bypass) has been initiated. Moreover, repair and maintenance of the existing stretch has been taken up at the cost of Rs. 11.01 crore separately to keep the existing road in traffic worthy condition.
