GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1887 ANSWERED ON 22ND SEPTEMBER, 2020

COLLAPSE OF BRIDGE IN KERALA

1887. SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether four beams with length of 43 metres of under construction bridge connecting National Highway at Thalassery in Kerala collapsed on 26 August, 2020;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has set up any technical team to enquire into the said accident; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

[GEN. (DR.) V.K. SINGH (RETD.)]

4 Girders of the Major Bridge (km 174+150) at Mahe bypass (a) to (d) NH-66 in the State of Kerala collapsed on 26.08.2020. National Institute of Technology (NIT), Calicut investigated the reasons responsible for it. Regarding the collapse of Major Bridge at Mahe Bypass, NHAI issued Show Cause notices to Contractor, Authority Engineer, Safety Consultant, Design Consultant & IIT Chennai as Proof Consultant (engaged by Contractor). Independent Investigation has been carried out by NIT, Calicut. Further action will be decided based on the received replies to the show cause notices and investigation reports.
