

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 853
ANSWERED ON 17TH SEPTEMBER, 2020**

DEVELOPMENT OF FOUR-LANE BYPASS AT KOLLAM

853. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the land acquisition process has been completed for development of Kollam bypass as a four lane road and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the accident rate at the said bypass is high due to the existing two lane road and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government has received a request from Public Representative from Kollam to take up the development of said bypass and if so, the action taken thereon;**
- (d) whether the Government proposes to take up the development of said bypass as a standalone project and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) the time by which the said work is likely to be completed?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) 6-lane Kollam Bypass on NH-66 in the State of Kerala has been planned to reduce traffic congestion, segregation of city/through traffic, reduce accidents etc., for which 45m Right of Way (ROW) has already been acquired.

(b) There are few media reports/complaints on frequent accidents in Kollam Bypass as many roads are intersecting here. The work of 2-laning of Kollam bypass from km 486/500 to 499/500 has been completed in January, 2019. Accidents in the bypass are mainly due to over speeding and violation of traffic rules by road user. Necessary safety measures as per IRC guidelines have been executed in the project stretch.

(c) Yes Sir.

(d) & (e) 6 laning work from 'Start of Kollam bypass' to 'Kadambattukonam' including Kollam Bypass has been planned for Financial Year 2021-22 with construction period of 30 month.
