

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1810  
ANSWERED ON 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2021**

**DEVELOPMENT OF FLYOVERS AND UNDERPASSES**

**1810. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:**

**Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

**be pleased to state:**

**(a) whether the Government proposes to construct more flyovers and underpasses on National Highways (NHs) to avoid congestion at various junctions in the country and if so, the details thereof;**

**(b) whether the Government proposes to develop the NHs with sufficient number of flyovers and underpasses to avoid traffic blockage and accidents and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken thereon;**

**(c) the details and present status of the development of NHs under the Kollam Lok Sabha Constituency;**

**(d) whether the Government proposes to develop the junctions at Kollam bypass and if so, the details thereof;**

**(e) the steps taken by the Government to withhold the order of collection of toll at Kollam bypass; and**

**(f) whether the Government has conducted any study regarding the lack of service roads at Kollam bypass and if so, the details and outcome thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS**

**(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)**

**(a) & (b) Flyovers/underpasses on National Highways across the country are constructed based on traffic volume, congestion on intersection, desired service level of highway and to ensure safe and efficient mobility subject to inter-se priority and availability of funds. The proposals received from State Governments are considered and sanctioned based on their inclusion in Annual Plan, satisfying the aforesaid norms/criteria and technical specifications requirements as per Ministry's standard guidelines/ circulars and IRC guidelines.**

**(c) & (d) Project for improvement of 23.5 km National Highways at an estimated cost of Rs. 26.91 crore is presently in progress in Kollam Lok Sabha constituency in Kerala. Bid for six laning of 63 km length of NH-66 at an estimated cost of Rs. 2342 crore has been invited, this includes construction of 2 underpasses at start and end points of Kollam bypass. Besides this, DPR is being prepared for improvement of another 113 km National Highways in Kollam Lok Sabha constituency.**

**(e) Collection of toll fees at Kollam bypass is to be done as per extant Policy & Gazette notification for toll collection.**

**(f) NHAI has invited bids for six laning of Kollam Bypass as part of "start of Kollam bypass to Kadambattukonam section of NH-66" with provision of service road on both side on Kollam Bypass.**

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