GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 541 ANSWERED ON 22ND JULY, 2021

WATER LOGGING ALONG THE HIGHWAYS

541. SHRI SHRINIWAS PATIL:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any system in place to conduct annual survey and audit of the problem of water logging along the highways maintained by NHAI during the monsoon season;
- (b) if so, the details of such spots identified along the highways in Satara district of Maharashtra; and
- (c) if not, the steps taken by the Government to set up grievance redressal mechanism for farmers/landowners living along these highways who are adversely affected every year?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

- (a) Yes, Sir. Regular inspections are done by Authority Engineer/Independent Engineer to monitor the condition along the highways maintained by NHAI during the monsoon season.
- (b) & (c) Due to unprecedented rainfall in Satara district in July-August, 2019, some flooding/submergence of National Highways was observed at various locations on NH-48.

As a remedial measure, suitable drainage facility along the Highway and cross drainage structures like culverts/minor/major bridges etc. at affected locations have been included in the DPR of 6-laning of Kagal - Satara section of NH - 48, as per IRC guidelines, for upgradation of project highway.
