GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 180 ANSWERED ON 28TH JULY, 2022

WIDENING OF NATIONAL HIGHWAY FROM HYDERABAD TO VIJAYAWADA

*180. SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY: SHRI UTTAM KUMAR REDDY NALAMADA:

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

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to widen the National Highway-65 from Hyderabad to Vijayawada into six and eight lane and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it is a fact that despite four laning of the said stretch during 2012, it is unable to cater to the present traffic needs and frequent accidents are taking place due to heavy traffic congestion resulting in loss of lives and if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether as per Section-93 and Schedule-13 of the Andhra Pradesh Re-Organization Act, 2014, Rapid Rail and Road Connectivity projects need to be commenced by April, 2022 and completed by April, 2024; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 180 ANSWERED ON 28TH JULY, 2022 ASKED BY SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY AND SHRI UTTAM KUMAR REDDY NALAMADA REGARDING 'WIDENING OF NATIONAL HIGHWAY FROM HYDERABAD TO VIJAYAWADA'.

(a) to (d) The stretch from Km. 0.00 to Km. 14.00 of Hyderabad – Vijayawada Section of NH-65 has already been 4/6 laned, presently with Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC).

6 laning work in the Stretch from Km.14.00 to Km.40.00 has been awarded in June, 2022.

The Hyderabad – Nandigama section from Km. 40.000 to Km. 221.500 of NH 65 (length 181.50 Km) was 4-laned during 2012 on BOT (Toll) mode. 6 laning of this stretch is not required as 4-lane road is adequate for accommodating the present traffic.

The Nandigama - Ibrahimpatnam – Vijayawada section of NH 65 (length 49.2 Km) was 4-laned in the year 2004 on BOT (Toll) mode with concession period up to March 2031. Further, on the Nandigama - Ibrahimpatnam – Vijayawada stretch of NH 65, 6 laning of existing 2 lane bypasses to Nandigama and Kanchikacherla was taken up and completed (except 0.88 km) on 24.03.2021.

Certain accident zones were identified for which the short term measures such as pavement marking, sign boards, solar blinkers, rumble strips etc. are already completed and long term measures with underpasses (VUPs/LVUPs / Service Roads etc.) at 17 Black Spots locations with an approximate cost of Rs. 340 Crore have been planned.

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