

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1682
ANSWERED ON 1ST AUGUST, 2024**

NATIONAL HIGHWAY FROM KOCHI TO SIVAGANGA

1682. ADV DEAN KURIAKOSE:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has made/received any proposal to construct a National Highway from Kochi to Sivaganga, passing through Idukki and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the Government has previously given in-principle approval for such a route, if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the route is not completed so far, if so, the detail thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and**
- (d) whether the Government would ensure that the project is completed as passing through Ernakulam, Vytilla, Kolanchery, Muvattupuzha, Vazhakulam, Thodupuzha, Vagamon, Kattappana, Kambammettu, Kambam and Theni to reach Sivaganga and if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (d) Development of National Highways is a continuous process. Ministry keeps on receiving proposals from various State Governments including Kerala/Tamil Nadu for declaration/upgradation/development of NHs. Decisions are taken based on the fulfilment of the criteria, requirement of connectivity, inter-se priority and availability of funds and synergy with PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan. As regard to the development of NH from Kochi to Sivaganga, the DPR has been awarded.
