

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3416  
ANSWERED ON 20<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2025**

**CONNECTIVITY ON NH-66**

**3416. 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 ensure the connectivity of National Highways (NHs) in such a manner as to provide easy logistics and if so, the action taken thereon;**

**(b) whether the proposal for extending or amending National Highway-183A (NH-183A) from Bharanikavu to Titanium Junction in National Highway-66 (NH-66) is pending and if so, the details of the action taken thereon;**

**(c) whether the Government considers exploring the commercial viability of the extension in terms of transportation from Indian Rare Earths Limited (IREL), Kerala Minerals and Metals Limited (KMML), Neendakara Harbour etc. and if so, the details thereof; and**

**(d) whether the Government has received a request from the Member of Parliament (MP) of Kollam Lok Sabha Constituency to extend National Highway-183A (NH-183A) from Bharanikavu to Titanium Junction in National Highway-66 (NH-66) and if so, the action taken thereon?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS  
(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)**

**(a) to (d) Development and Maintenance of National Highways (NHs) is a continuous process. The works on NHs are accordingly taken up to keep the NHs in traffic worthy conditions depending**

**upon inter-se priority, traffic density and synergy with PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan.**

**The Government has received proposal from Honourable Member of Parliament of Kollam Lok Sabha Constituency to extend NH-183A from Bharanikavu to Titanium Junction on NH-66 which is presently not a National Highway.**

**The Government keeps on receiving proposals for declaration/ upgradation of State Roads as NHs including proposals for extension of NHs from various State Governments/ Union Territories (UTs) including from the State of Kerala. The Government considers declaration/ upgradation/ extension of some State Roads as NHs based on requirement of connectivity, inter-se priority, traffic density, reduction in logistic costs and travel distances, achieving the goal of sustainable economic growth, strategic requirements and synergy with PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan.**

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