

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5458  
ANSWERED ON 3<sup>RD</sup> APRIL, 2025**

**LAND ACQUISITION FOR THE GREENFIELD HIGHWAY**

**5458. SHRI VAMSI KRISHNA GADDAM:**

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

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**be pleased to state:**

**(a) whether the Government is aware of the opposition from farmers in Lakshettipet and Mancherial districts to the land acquisition for National Highway (NH)-163;**

**(b) if so, the details thereof, including the total area of agricultural land proposed to be acquired for the Greenfield Highway along with the number of affected families and the compensation package proposed for them;**

**(c) whether the Government has explored the feasibility of expanding the existing NH-163 to four lanes (Brownfield expansion) instead of constructing a new Greenfield Highway, thereby minimizing land acquisition and displacement;**

**(d) if so, the details of the feasibility studies conducted, including their findings; and**

**(e) if not, the reasons for not considering a Brownfield expansion therefor?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

**(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)**

**(a) Yes sir. Lakshettipett and Macherial are located on NH-63, and not on NH 163.**

**(b) The details of the total agricultural land proposed to be acquired for the Greenfield alignment from Lakshettipett town to Mancherial Town along with the number of affected families and the compensation package proposed are as below:**

<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>Total agriculture land to be acquired in Ha.</b>	<b>Total No. of farmers affected</b>	<b>Compensation package proposed Rs. in cr.</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>112.00</b>	<b>1014</b>	<b>112</b>

**(c), (d) & (e) Yes sir. National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has explored the feasibility of expanding the existing NH-63 alignment, but from Lakshettipett town to Mulkalla village thick ribbon development has taken place along existing NH-63 road for about 15 km from km 136+000 up to km 151+100 involving demolition of several residential houses and commercial establishments. Also drinking water supply pipelines installed under Mission Bhagiratha is running on both sides of the existing alignment, making it difficult for the widening of the existing road. Requests have been received from public representatives for construction of bypass to Lakshettipett town, instead of widening the existing road.**

**Based on site conditions and keeping the representations into consideration, the alignment away from the existing NH-63 road from km 125+000 (Rayapatnam Junction) to km 151+000 (Mulkalla Village) was proposed as a bypass to Lakshettipett Town in Mancherial District.**

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