GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 569 ANSWERED ON 6TH FEBRUARY, 2025

HEIGHT OF UNDERPASS AT PC ROAD CHALIL MOTTA ALONG NH-66

569. SHRI K SUDHAKARAN:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the underpass allotted at PC Road Chalil Motta (CH150+100) along NH-66 in Kannur, which has been sanctioned with a height of 2.90 metres, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the current height of the underpass is inadequate for emergency vehicles such as fire engines to pass through, thereby posing risks to public safety and emergency response effectiveness in the area, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken note of the public outcry and taken any steps to review and revise the height of the underpass to 3.70 metres to ensure safe and efficient passage of emergency vehicles; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons for the delay in addressing this pressing safety concern?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (d) Yes Sir. A Box structure at km 151.1 has been provided under Change of Scope for pedestrians to cross the National Highways (NH). The alignment of NH at this location is on super-elevation and height of embankment is enabling to provide vertical clearance of 2.9m only.

A viaduct (13 spans of 40m each) is already provided from km 149.68 to km 149.69 which is to be used for crossing of vehicles including emergency vehicle.

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