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

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3069 ANSWERED ON $7^{\text{TH}}$ AUGUST, 2025

#### BHARATMALA PARIYOJANA IN TAMIL NADU

#### 3069. SHRI THARANIVENTHAN M S:

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

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#### be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount of funds allocated, released and utilized for the highway construction projects under Bharatmala Pariyojana in Tamil Nadu;
- (b) the expected benefits of these projects in Tamil Nadu in terms of connectivity, trade facilitation and employment generation; and
- (c) the steps taken to ensure timely completion of Bharatmala projects in Tamil Nadu and to address any delays or challenges faced therein?

#### **ANSWER**

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

(a) and (b) In the State of Tamil Nadu, 45 projects covering a length of about 1476 km with a Total Capital Cost of about Rs.48,172 crore have been sanctioned under Bharatmala Pariyojana. Out of this, about 1230 km of project length has been completed. The Project sanctioned under Bharatmala Pariyojana is aimed to de-congest the built up areas including rural areas and improve the logistic efficiency with enhanced connectivity and thereby boosting economic development, trade facilitation and employment generation in the State.

(c) Various factors such as issues related to land acquisition, delays in pre-construction activities, financial difficulties faced by contractors, force majeure events, and scarcity of construction materials etc. have resulted in delays and cost overrun in certain projects.

To overcome these challenges and expedite project execution, various initiatives have been undertaken. These include streamlining and expediting the land acquisition process through Bhoomi Rashi portal, revamping the Parivesh Portal to facilitate faster forest and environmental clearances, enabling online approval of General Arrangement Drawings (GAD) for Road over Bridges (ROBs) and Road under Bridges (RUB) from the Railways, and conducting review meetings at various levels with all stakeholders, including State Governments. The Government is taking all necessary steps for timely completion of these projects.

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