

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4663
ANSWERED ON 21ST AUGUST, 2025**

EXPRESSWAYS CONNECTING BENGALURU TO MAJOR CITIES

4663. SHRI P C MOHAN:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of the expressways being developed to connect Bengaluru with Chennai, Hyderabad, Pune and other major cities including their total length, estimated cost and expected date of completion;**
- (b) whether land acquisition, environmental clearance or other bottlenecks have delayed any of these projects, if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the expected benefits of these expressways in terms of reduced travel time, decongestion of existing National Highways (NHs), economic growth and regional connectivity;**
- (d) the role of the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) and State Government in execution and post-completion maintenance of these expressways; and**
- (e) whether the Government proposes to include smart infrastructure features, logistics parks or green corridors as part of the expressway ecosystem and if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) Government in Ministry of Road Transport & Highways undertakes Feasibility Study/Detailed Project Report (DPR) for improvement/widening/construction of National Highways in the country. Decision for project implementation and investment is taken based on the outcome of DPR, requirement of connectivity, inter-se priority and synergy with PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan. The status of Bangalore – Chennai Expressway is Annexed. As far as connectivity between Bengaluru to Hyderabad as also Pune is concerned, DPR for both the projects has been awarded.

(b) Issues faced in Bengaluru – Chennai Expressway

(1) Karnataka:

(i) Delay in Land Acquisition due to slow disbursement, missed out valuation of trees / affected structures during preparation of Awards, Public Resistance, demand for service road and access from main carriageway.

(ii) Delay in fixation of compensation for ROW affected shifting of EHT Lines.

(iii) Delay in Shifting of religious structures.

(2) Andhra Pradesh:

(i) Initial delay due to delay in approval from SC-NBWL for working permission in 10 Km default Eco-Sensitive Zone (ESZ) of Koundinya Wildlife Sanctuary.

(3) Tamil Nadu:

(i) Delay in shifting of EHT Towers due to delay in sanction / disbursement of crop compensation for the land to be utilized for erection of EHT Towers.

(ii) Involvement of huge quantity of earthwork and the delays in approval of borrow earth permissions on account of Hon'ble NGT Order dated 17.08.2023.

(iii) Hard rock cutting/controlled blasting for more than 7km at many locations which is very near to habitated areas & existing NH.

(iv) Delays in getting approvals / permissions for construction of ROBs (3 Nos.)

(v) Financial constraints of the Concessionaire in Pkg-III, Phase-III.

(c) The high Speed corridor is expected to reduce the distance between the major city as also industrial nodes, which in turn shall facilitate reduced travel time, higher speed and reduction in logistic cost etc.

(d) National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) is undertaking various NH development projects including high speed corridors in the State. The State Government is facilitating in pre-construction activities including Land Acquisition.

(e) Smart Infrastructure features such as Advance Traffic Management System, Wayside amenities, utility corridor for facilitating other infrastructure such as Telecom Cables, Utility line etc. in line with the principle of PM-Gati Shakti is made part of development plan of access controlled Highway/Expressway.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4663 ANSWERED ON 21ST AUGUST, 2025 ASKED BY SHRI P C MOHAN REGARDING 'EXPRESSWAYS CONNECTING BENGALURU TO MAJOR CITIES'.

Status of Bengaluru – Chennai Expressway

Sr. No.	Project Name	Length (In Km)	Total Project Cost (In Cr)	Physical Progress (%)	Scheduled Revised Date of Completion
1	Bangalore-Chennai Expressway Phase-I Pkg-1 of NE-07	27.1	2481	Completed	
2	Bangalore-Chennai Expressway Phase-I Pkg-2 of NE-07	27.1	1180.2	Completed	
3	Bangalore-Chennai Expressway Phase-I Pkg-3 of NE-07	17.5	784.22	Completed	
4	Bethamngala in Karnataka to Byreddypalli Section in AP (Km 71.0 - Km.96.0) of NE-7 (Phase-II, Pkg-I)	25	1306.96	90.1	December, 2025
5	Byreddypalli to Bangarupalem (Km 96.0 - Km.127.0) of NE-7 Section in AP (Phase-II, Pkg-II)	31	2171.37	70.1	June, 2026
6	Bangarupalem to Gudipala (Km 127.0 to Km 156.0 of NE-7 Section in AP (Phase-II, Pkg-III)	29	1288.55	Completed	
7	Gudipala to Walajahpet (Km 156.0 - Km 180.0) (Phase-III, Pkg-I)	24	1028.47	88.1	October, 2025
8	Walajahpet to Arakkonam (Km 180.0 -	24.5	843.48	91.3	October, 2025

	Km 204.50) (Phase- III, Pkg-II)				
9	Arakkonam to Kancheepuram (Km 204.5 - Km 230.0) (Phase- III, Pkg-III)	25.5	1155.49	53.6	March, 2026
10	Kancheepuram to Sriperumbudur Section (Km 230.0 - Km 261.705 (Phase- III, Pkg-IV)	31.7	2948.39	79.0	December, 2025
Total		262.4	15188		
