

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

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 279
ANSWERED ON 18TH DECEMBER, 2025**

HIGHWAY PROJECTS IN KERALA

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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and current status of all new national highway projects sanctioned in Kerala during the last five years including their length, estimated cost and timelines for completion, project-wise;**
- (b) the present status of the proposed Outer Ring Road project in Kerala including progress of DPR preparation, land acquisition, estimated cost and the expected date of commencement of work;**
- (c) the details and current status of Greenfield Highway projects proposed or approved in Kerala including alignment, length, land acquisition progress and timelines;**
- (d) whether several sanctioned highway projects in the State are facing delays, if so, the reasons for such delays;**
- (e) the present status of land acquisition and fund release for ongoing and proposed highway projects; and**
- (f) whether the Government proposes to expedite the completion of delayed national highway, Outer Ring Road and Greenfield Highway projects in Kerala, if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (f) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 279 ANSWERED ON 18TH DECEMBER, 2025 ASKED BY SHRI BENNY BEHANAN AND SHRI K RADHAKRISHNAN REGARDING 'HIGHWAY PROJECTS IN KERALA'.

(a) During the last five years, several new National Highway projects have been sanctioned in the State of Kerala. The details and current status of these projects are in Annexure-I.

(b) The proposal of Outer Ring Road of Thiruvananthapuram City is in the process of preparation of final design after review of various alternatives due to high hill cut/fill sections along alignment keeping in view of recent incidents of slippages of slope in NH-66 works. The firmed up total cost of the project would be known on finalisation of the Detailed Project Report (DPR).

(c) Details of Greenfield Highway projects to be taken up, and their tentative timelines in the State of Kerala are at Annexure-II.

(d) to (f) Some sanctioned National Highway projects in Kerala are facing delays due to various factors such as land acquisition issues, delays in forest and environmental clearances and adverse weather conditions. However, the Government is taking several measures to expedite the completion of the delayed National Highway, and Greenfield Highway projects in Kerala. These include regular review meetings at various levels, close coordination with the State Government for expeditious land acquisition and clearances, resolution of bottlenecks at the field level, and continuous monitoring of project progress. The details of Land Acquisition in the State of Kerala are in Annexure-III.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 279 ANSWERED ON 18TH DECEMBER, 2025 ASKED BY SHRI BENNY BEHANAN AND SHRI K RADHAKRISHNAN REGARDING 'HIGHWAY PROJECTS IN KERALA'

The details and status of projects in Kerala

Sl No	Name of the Project	NH No	Length (km)	San. Cost Rs . in Cr	Date of Sanction	Status	Work completion date
-	2020-21	-	-	-	-		
1	Strengthening and Construction of Retaining wall from KM 0/000 to 15/500 of NH 185 in the State of Kerala on EPC mode	185	15.5	47.62	14.12.2020	Completed	02.11.2023
2	Strengthening and Construction of Retaining wall from KM 106/700 to 136/600 of NH 183 in the State of Kerala on EPC mode	183	29.9	54.15	14.12.2020	work terminated	work terminated
3	Strengthening and Geometric improvements	183A	32.1	47.58	14.01.2021	Completed	31.10.2024

	from Km 40/290 to 72/390 of NH 183A in the State of Kerala under Annual Plan 2020-21 on EPC Mode (Total length 32.100 Km).						
4	Repair and Rehabilitation of Churali Bridge at KM 22/450, Karimban Bridge at KM 28/535, Thadiyanpadu Bridge at KM 30/725 and Dam top bridge at KM 36/155 in NH 185 in the State of Kerala	185		2.0593	02.03.2021	Completed	15.06.2022
5	Rehabilitation Paingana Bridge at KM 158/050 in NH 183 of Kottayam District in the State of Kerala	183		0.9752	02.03.2021	De-sanctioned	De-sanctioned
6	Repair and Rehabilitation of 35th Mile Bridge at KM 162/240 in NH 183 of Idukki District in the State of Kerala	183		0.9752	02.03.2021	Completed	30.03.2023
7	Thalappady to Chengala	66	39.0	1939.5	07.05.2020	Substantially Completed	PCC issued
8	Chengala to Neeleshwaram	66	37.3	1729.9	13.05.2020	On-going	30.06.2026

9	Neeleshwaram to Thalipparamba	66	40.1	3053.2	03.06.2020	On-going	30.06.2026
10	Thalipparamba to Muzhapilangadu	66	30.0	2721.5	24.07.2020	On-going	31.09.2026
11	Construction of six lane minor bridge at km 203.160 (Paloli palam) and major bridge(Morad)	66	2.1	216.9	05.03.2020	Substantially Completed	Substantially Completed. CC to be issued.
12	Azhiyur to Vengalam	66	40.8	3219.5	14.10.2020	On-going	31.08.2026
13	Ramanattukara to Valanchery	66	39.7	4256.1	30.03.2021	Substantially Completed	PCC issued
14	Valanchery to Kappirikkad	66	37.4	3366.1	31.03.2021	Substantially Completed	PCC issued
	Sub Total		343.8	20656.1			
	<u>2021-22</u>						
1	Strengthening and Geometric Improvement from KM 42/725 to 56/550 of NH 185 in the State of Kerala	185	13.825	22.4	08.12.2021	Completed	30.01.2025
2	Strengthening from KM 61/000 to 83/940 of NH 185 in the State of Kerala	185	22.94	30.32	13.12.2021	Completed	31.05.2024
3	Strengthening and	766	10	15.57	27.10.2021	Completed	31.05.2023

	Geometric Improvement from KM 15/000 to 25/000 of NH 766 in the State of Kerala						
4	Strengthening and Geometric Improvement from KM 27/300 to 32/940 of NH 183A in the State of Kerala	183A	5.6	9.45	14.07.2021.	Completed	27.03.2023
5	Rehabilitation of Ellikad Bridge at chainage 43/650 on NH 766 in State of Kerala	766		0.65	07.12.2021	Completed	12.04.2024
6	Providing and applying acrylic elastomeric coating to link road bridges Phase I and Phase II connecting Cochin Bypass and Willington Island in NH 47A(New NH 966B)	966B		8.83	07.12.2021	Completed	22.04.2023
7	Permanent Rectification of identified 8 numbers of Accident Black Spots on KL-(02)-109, KL-(02)-111, KL-(02)- 095, KL-(02)-112, KL-(02)-132, KL-(02)-235, KL-(02)-236 & KL-(02)-110 on NH-183 in the State of	183	3	10.4	13.12.2021	Completed	17.10.2023

	Kerala						
8	Kappirikkad-Thalikulam	66	33.2	3591.1	24.09.2021	On-going	31.03.2026
9	Thalikulam-Kodungallur	66	28.8	3612.7	24.09.2021	On-going	31.03.2026
10	Kodungallur- Edapally	66	26.0	3465.8	27.08.2021	On-going	31.05.2026
11	Thuravoor Thekku – Paravoor	66	38.4	2887.7	12.08.2021	On-going	31.05.2026
12	Paravoor to Kottukulangara	66	37.5	3506.2	16.11.2021	On-going	31.03.2026
13	Kottukulangara to start of Kollam bypass	66	31.5	3835.2	18.05.2021	On-going	25.03.2026
14	Start of Kollam Bypass to Kadambattukonam	66	31.3	2704.6	21.05.2021	On-going	30.06.2026
15	Kadambattukonam to Kazhakuttom	66	29.8	3409.7	06.12.2021	On-going	30.06.2026
	Sub total		311.865	27110.62			
	<u>2022-23</u>						
1	Land Acquisition estimate for widening to two lane with paved shoulder of NH 766 starting from km 40/000(Puthupaddy) to km 117/600 Muthanga including Sultan bathery bypass in the State of Kerala	766		214.88	12.10.2022	work de-sanctioned	work de- sanctioned

2	Strengthening from Km 0/000 to km 5/920 in NH 966B in the State of Kerala under Annual Plan 2022-23 on EPC Mode	966 B	5.92	12.85	07.03.2023	Completed	25.01.2025
3	Land acquisition estimate for widening to two lane with paved shoulder of NH 185 starting from its junction with NH No 85 Adimaly(km 0/000) and terminating with its junction with NH 183 near Kumily (Km83/940) in State of Kerala	185		350.75	22.03.2023	Work under De sanction	Work under De sanction
4	Land acquisition estimate for widening to two lane with paved shoulder of NH 766 starting from Km 5/000(Malaparamba) to km 40/000(Puthupady) including bypasses at Koduvally and Thamarassery in State of Kerala-	766		454.01	21.03.2023	work de sanctioned	work de sanctioned
5	Elevated Corridor from Aroor to Thuravoor Thekku	66	12.8	2927.2	15.07.2022	On-going	30.06.2026
6	Widening/Development of	85	124.6	1231.7	25.05.2022	On-going	30.03.2026

	NH-85						
	Sub total		143.32	5191.39			
	<u>2023-24</u>						
1	Rectification of 4 Nos of Blackspot	66	2.4	130.6	25.12.2023	On-going	31.03.2026
2	Rectification of 11 Nos of Blackspot	544	12.1	485.4	06.09.2023	On-going	08.12.2025
	Sub total		14.5	616.0			
	<u>2024-25</u>						
1	Improvement proposal in landslide locations Km 160/250 & including Km 120/630, Km 124/850, Km 145/240, Km 154/175 of NH 85 in the State of Kerala under Annual Plan 2024-25 on EPC Mode-Job No 923	85		7.99	14.11.2024	On-going	30.04.2026
2	Geometrical Improvements at Ghat section of Thamarassery Churram on NH 766 at selected 3 locations where forest land is made available and the chainages (i) Hairpin bend No.6- (km 50+400 to 50+620)	766	0.35	37.16	04.12.2024	On-going	18.02.2027

	(ii) Hairpin Bend No.-7 (Km 51+590 to 51+680) (iii) Hairpin Bend No.8 (Km 51+860 to 51+900) in the state of Kerala under Annual plan 2024-25 on EPC Mode						
3	Construction of an underpass at km 184.850, supply & installation of Street lighting, Construction of Service roads and other miscellaneous works in Thalassery Mahe bypass	66	1.1	40.4	02.07.2024	On-going	20.05.2026
4	Balance work of widening of 4 nos existing 2 Lane major Bridge of Six-laning of Kozhikode Bypass	66	1.9	126.0	30.05.2024	On-going	05.03.2026
5	Rectification of 17 nos of Blackspot	544	17.2	1058	02.07.2024	Awarded	Awarded and Appointed date yet to be declared
	Sub total		20.595	1269.5			

Annexure-II

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 279 ANSWERED ON 18TH DECEMBER, 2025 ASKED BY SHRI BENNY BEHANAN AND SHRI K RADHAKRISHNAN REGARDING 'HIGHWAY PROJECTS IN KERALA'

Details of Greenfield Highway projects to be taken up, and their tentative timelines in the State of Kerala

Sr. No.	PROJECT NAME	NH	Alignment approval date	Length (in Km)	Current Status	Land Acquisition Status			Time line
						3A	3D	3G	
1	Aryankavu to Edamon	744	13.02.2025	20.6	DPR is in progress	To be initiated	Nil	Nil	Since the Projects are to be appraised by PPPAC and approved by CCEA, therefore, the commencement of Project is possible only after sanction of the project by Govt of India.
2	Edamon to Kadambattukonam	744	23.01.2025	38.9	DPR stage	116.93 Ha	102.02 Ha	Nil	
3	Punalur Bypass	744	To be approved	11.5	Alignment approval stage	To be initiated	Nil	Nil	
4	Vizhinjam-Navaikulam Outer Ring Road	866	To be approved	62.7	Alignment approval stage	100%	30%	Nil	
5	Palakkad-Kozhikode GF	966	27.01.2022	121.0	DPR stage	571.007 Ha	549.352 Ha	542.105 Ha	

	Highway								
6	Angamaly to Kundanoor section of NH-544	544	To be approved	44.7	Alignment approval stage	NA	NA	NA	
7	Kodungaloor to Angamaly section of NH-544	544	To be approved	20.0	DPR is to be initiated	NA	NA	NA	DPR has been awarded

Annexure-III

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The details of Land Acquisition in the State of Kerala

Sr. No.	PROJECT NAME	NH No.	Length (in Km)	On-going or Proposed	Land Acquisition							Fund deposite d to CALA (in Cr.)	Remarks
					Total land require d (in Ha)	Already availabl e (in Ha)	Total Land to be acquire d (in Ha)	Additional Requirements					
								3A	3D	3G	3H		
1	Chengala to Neeleshwaram	66	37.27	On-going	167.71	125.76	41.94	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	525.29	DPR Completed
2	Neeleshwaram to	66	40.11	On-going	181.57	75.71	105.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1363.75	DPR

	Thaliparambha												Completed
3	Thaliparambha to Muzhapilangad	66	29.95	On-going	135.95	23.56	112.39	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	1137.20	DPR Completed
4	Azhiyur to Vengalam	66	40.80	On-going	183.60	108.70	108.81	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1645.54	DPR Completed
7	Kappirikkad-Thalikulam	66	33.17	On-going	169.74	60.37	109.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2592.85	DPR Completed
8	Thalikulam-Kodungallur	66	28.84	On-going	144.64	48.58	96.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2504.08	DPR Completed
9	Kodungallur-Edappally	66	26.03	On-going	112.53	112.53	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1472.35	DPR Completed
10	Aroor-Thuravoor	66	38.39	On-going	170.55	170.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1374.34	DPR Completed
11	Thuravoor-Paravoor	66	12.75	On-going	1.41	1.24	0.18	0.58	0.58	0.01	0.64	52.98	DPR Completed
12	Kochi – Munnar	85	124.64	On-going	4.80	4.65	0.14	4.88	0.37	0.55	0.39	19.15	DPR Completed
13	Muvattupuzha - Kothamangalam Bypass	Bypass	13.00	Proposed	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	DPR Awaded on 04.12.2025

14	Willingdon Island to Kundanoor	966B	5.89	Proposed	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	Alignment Approval stage
15	Paravoor-Kottukulanagara	66	37.50	On-going	168.75	112.92	55.83	55.83	55.83	55.73	55.50	1756.55	DPR Completed
16	Kottukulangara - Kollam Bypass	66	31.50	On-going	141.75	100.43	41.32	41.32	41.32	41.20	41.11	1599.30	DPR Completed
17	Arayankavu - Edamon	744	20.60	Proposed	60.80	2.00	58.80	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Feasibility Stage
18	Edamon - Kadambattukonam	744	38.86	Proposed	180.58	0.00	180.58	116.93	102.01	Nil	Nil	Nil	Draft DPR
19	Punalur Bypass	Bypass	11.53	Proposed	36.99	0	36.99	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Alignment Approval stage
20	Kollam Bypass to Kadambattukonam	66	31.25	On-going	24.02	0.00	24.02	24.02	24.02	24.02	24.02	1068.52	DPR Completed
21	Kadambattukonam to Kazhakuttam	66	29.83	On-going	71.22	71.22	71.22	71.22	71.22	71.22	71.22	1546.29	DPR Completed
22	Vizhinjam-Navaikulam Outer Ring Road	866	62.70	Proposed	315.28	0.00	315.28	315.28	100.86	0.00	0.00	0.00	Final DPR

23	Kozhikode - Palakkad	966	121.01	Proposed	571.01	0.00	571.01	571.00 7Ha	549.35 2Ha	542.10 5Ha	503.53 5Ha	4226.50	Final DPR
24	Angamaly - Kundanoor	544	44.70	Proposed	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	Alignment Approval stage
25	Kodungallur-Angamaly	544	20.00	Proposed	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	DPR Awarded
26	Connectivity of Kannur Airport from NH-66	-	30	Proposed	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	DPR Awarded
27	connectivity from Ramanattukara to Calicut International Airport	-	12	Proposed	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	DPR Awarded
28	Fort Vypin to Matysyafed Tourist Office	-	13	Proposed	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	DPR Awarded
