

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3008
ANSWERED ON 18TH DECEMBER, 2025**

TOLL PLAZAS IN DHARMAPURI, TAMIL NADU

3008. SHRI MANI A.:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of fee plazas that are currently operational on National Highways in Tamil Nadu, district-wise;**
- (b) the number of fee plazas located specifically in Dharmapuri district and the stretches of highways they cover;**
- (c) whether the Government has undertaken any measures to ensure smooth traffic flow and reduce congestion at these fee plazas in Dharmapuri district, if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether the Government has received any complaints or feedback from commuters regarding the functioning of toll plazas in Dharmapuri and if so, the details thereof along with the corrective measures taken; and**
- (e) the revenue collected from fee plazas in Dharmapuri district during the last three financial years and the manner in which the revenue is utilized for maintenance and development of National Highways passing through the district?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

- (a) There are a total of 75 user fee plazas operational on National Highways in the state of Tamil Nadu. The district wise details of the fee plazas in Tamil Nadu are at Annexure A.**

(b) Three (03) Fee Plazas are located in Dharmapuri district in the State of Tamil Nadu. The details of these 03 fee plazas along with project stretches are at Annexure B.

(c) To ensure smooth traffic flow and reduce congestion at user fee plazas on National Highways, the Government introduced the Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) technology through FASTag for making payment at fee plaza. The declaration of all lanes of fee plazas on National Highways as FASTag Lane of the fee plaza with effect from midnight of 15th/16th February, 2021, has resulted in seamless movement at user fee plazas, reduced waiting times, and alleviated congestion, thereby improving efficiency at fee plazas on National Highways. Subsequent to mandatory implementation of FASTag at all lanes on 16th February, 2021 (00:00 hrs), an Impact Assessment Study on the FASTag System was undertaken by the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI). The findings of the above study show a significant reduction in average waiting time at fee plazas from 734 seconds under the manual fee collection system to 47 seconds under the Electronic Toll Collection (ETC) system.

Additionally, adequate number of fee lanes have been provided at all fee plazas within the district of Dharmapuri. These plazas are fully equipped with 100% electronic toll collection systems, ensuring the smooth and efficient movement of vehicles. Furthermore, lane marshals are stationed at the fee plazas to manage and regulate traffic during peak hours.

Further, introduction of FASTag based tolling and Annual Pass for Private Car owners has also resulted in reduction of congestion at fee plazas.

(d) Complaints of long queues in Palayam fee Plaza have been reported through 1033 helpline number. Queues / waiting time, mainly in week-ends & festival seasons, is resolved through deployment of lane marshals.

(e) The revenue collected from the fee plazas in Dharmapuri district during the last three financial years are at Annexure C. The user fee collected by the Central Government is deposited in Consolidated Fund of India (CFI) and budgetary support allocated through CFI are utilized for the maintenance and further development & augmentation of National Highways.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3008 FOR ANSWER ON 18.12.2025 ASKED BY SHRI MANI A. REGARDING TOLL PLAZAS IN DHARMAPURI, TAMIL NADU.

The details of district wise fee plazas in the state of Tamil Nadu:

S. No.	District	Fee Plaza Name	NH No (New/Old)	Section of Highway
1	Ariyalur	Managathi	NH-81 / NH-227	Kallagam-Meensurutti
2	Chengalpattu	Athur	NH-32 / NH- 45	Tambaram-Tindivanam
3	Chengalpattu	Paranur	NH-32 / NH- 45	Tambaram-Tindivanam
4	Chennai	Mathur	State Road	Chennai -Ennore-Port road
5	Cuddalore	Kothatai	NH-32 / NH 45A	Poondiyankuppam - Sattanathapuram
6	Cuddalore	Ponnalagaram	NH-532	Cuddalore-Virudhachalam-Salem
7	Cuddalore	Kurungudi	NH-81 / NH-227	Meensurutti - Chidambaram
8	Coimbatore	Kaniyur	NH-544 / NH-47	Chenagapalli - Coimbatore - TN/Kerala Border
9	Coimbatore	Madukkarai	NH-544 / NH-47	Coimbatore bypass
10	Dharmapuri	Palayam	NH-44 / NH-7	Krishnagiri - Thumbipadi
11	Dharmapuri	Karagathahalli	NH-844	Neraluru-Dharmapuri
12	Dharmapuri	H.Pudhupatti	NH-179A	Salem -Tirupathur-Vaniyambadi
13	Dindigul	Chatrapatti	NH-83 / 209	Oddanchatram - Madathukulam
14	Dindigul	Kozhinjiipatti	NH-44 / NH- 7	Dindigul Bypass - Samyanallore

15	Dindigul	Pudur	NH-785	Madurai- Chettikulam- Natham- Thuvarankurichi
16	Kancheepuram	Nemili (Sriperumpudur)	NH-48 / NH-4	Poonamalle - Walajahpet
17	Kallakurichi	Veeracholapuram	NH-79 / NH-68	Salem - Ulundurpet
18	Kallakurichi	Keezhkuppam	NH-532	Cuddalore- Virudhachalam- Salem
19	Kallakurichi	Sengurichi	NH-38 / NH-45	Ulundurpet - Padalur
20	Karur	Manavasi	NH-81 / NH-67	Trichy-Karur
21	Karur	Velanchettiyur	NH-44 / NH-7	Karur - Dindigul
22	Kanyakumari	Thirupathisaram	NH-944	Nagercoil to Kavalkinaru
23	Krishnagiri	Krishnagiri	NH-44 / NH-7	Hosur - Krishnagiri
24	Krishnagiri	Kadhavani	NH-179A	Salem-Tirupathur- Vaniyambadi
25	Krishnagiri	Nagampatti	NH-77 / NH-66	Tindivanam - Krishnagiri
26	Madurai	Chittampatti	NH-38 / NH-45B	Trichy- Tovrankurichi - Madurai
27	Madurai	Elliyarpathy	NH-38 / NH-45B	Madurai Tuticorin
28	Madurai	Kappalur	NH-44 /NH- 7	Madurai - Virudhunagar
29	Namakkal	Rasampalayam	NH-44 / NH-7	Namakkal - Karur
30	Perambalur	Thirumandurai	NH-38 / NH-45	Ulundurpet - Padalur
31	Pudukkottai	Boothakudi	NH-38 / NH-45B	Trichy- Tovrankurichi - Madurai
32	Pudukkottai	Palaya Gandharvakottai	NH-36 / NH-226	Thanjavur – Pudukkottai
33	Pudukkottai	Lembalakudi	NH-536, NH-336 / NH-210	Trichy-Karaikudi

34	Pudukkottai	Lechchumanapatti	NH-536, NH-336 / NH-210	Trichy-Karaikudi
35	Ramanathapuram	Vennathur	NH-536 / NH-210	Karaikudi - Ramanathapuram
36	Ramanathapuram	Bogalur	NH-85, NH-87 / NH-49	Madurai-Paramakudi-Ramnathapuram
37	Ranipet	Chennasamudram	NH-48 / NH-4	Poonamalle - Walajahpet
38	Salem	Mettupatti	NH-79 / NH-68	Salem - Ulundurpet
39	Salem	Nathakkarai	NH-79 / NH-68	Salem - Ulundurpet
40	Salem	Omalur (Kottamkoundampatti)	NH-44 / NH-7	Thumbipadi - Namakkal
41	Salem	Vaiguntham	NH-544 / NH-47	Salem - Kumarapalayam
42	Sivagangai	Shenbagampettai	NH-36 / NH-226	Thirumayam – Manamadurai
43	Sivagangai	Kodikottai	NH-536 / NH-210	Karaikudi - Ramanathapuram
44	Sivagangai	Tirupachethi	NH-85, NH-87 / NH-49	Madurai-Paramakudi-Ramnathapuram
45	Thanjavur	Manambadi	NH-36 / NH-45C	Sethiyathope-Cholpauram
46	Thanjavur	Vembukudi	NH-36 / NH-45C	Cholpauram-Thanjavur
47	Theni	Upparpatti	NH-183 / NH-220	Dindigul Theni - Kumili
48	Trichy	Kallakudi	NH-81 / NH-227	Trichy-Kallagam
49	Trichy	Thiruparaithurai	NH-81 / NH-67	Trichy-Karur
50	Trichy	Valvanthankottai	NH-83 / NH-67	Thanjavur - Trichy
51	Trichy	Ponnambalapatti	NH-83 / NH-45	Trichy - Dindigul
52	Tiruppur	Velampatti	NH-381	Avinashi – Tiruppur – Avinashipalayam
53	Trichy	Samayapuram	NH-38 / NH-45	Padalur - Trichy

54	Tiruppur	Vijayamangalam	NH-544 / NH-47	Kumarapalayam - Chengalpalli
55	Tiruppur	Pongalur	NH-81 / NH-67	Coimbatore - Chidambaram
56	Tiruvallur	Nallur	NH-16 / NH-5	Chennai-Tada
57	Tiruvallur	Pattarai Perumbudur	NH-716 / NH-205	Tiruthani- Chennai
58	Tiruvallur	Surapattu	NH-32	Chennai Bypass
59	Tiruvallur	Vanagaram	NH-32	Chennai Bypass
60	Tirupathur	Vaniyambadi (Pedakallupalli)	NH-48 / NH-46	Krishnagiri - Walajahpet
61	Tiruvannamalai	Enamkariyandal	NH-38/ NH 234	Vellore- Tiruvannamalai- Villupuram
62	Tiruvannamalai	Kariyamanglam	NH-77 / NH-66	Tindivanam - Krishnagiri
63	Tiruvarur	Kovilvenni	NH-83 / NH-67	Nagapattinam - Thanjavur section
64	Tirunelveli	Nanguneri	NH-44 / NH-7	Nanguneri - Kanniyakumari
65	Tuticorin	Pudurpandiyapuram	NH-38 / NH-45B	Madurai Tuticorin
66	Tuticorin	Vagaikulam	NH-138 / NH-7A	Tirunelveli - Tuticorin
67	Tuticorin	Salaipudur	NH-44 / NH-7	Kayathar - Nanguneri
68	Vellore	Vallam	NH-38/ NH 234	Vellore- Tiruvannamalai- Villupuram
69	Vellore	Pallikonda	NH-48 / NH-46	Krishnagiri - Walajahpet
70	Viluppuram	Gangarampalayam	NH-332 / NH-45A	Viluppuram- Puducherry
71	Viluppuram	Morattandi	NH-32/NH-66	Pondicherry - Tindivanam
72	Viluppuram	Vikkravandi	NH-132 & NH-38/ NH-45	Tindivanam - Ulundurpet
73	Viluppuram	Thennamadevi	NH-38/ NH 234	Vellore- Tiruvannamalai- Villupuram

74	Viluppuram	Nanglikondan	NH-77 / NH-66	Tindivanam - Krishnagiri
75	Virudhunagar	Etturvattam	NH-44 / NH-7	Virudhunagar - Kayathar

ANNEXURE B

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3008 FOR ANSWER ON 18.12.2025 ASKED BY SHRI MANI A. REGARDING TOLL PLAZAS IN DHARMAPURI, TAMIL NADU.

The details of the fee plazas along with project stretches in Dharmapuri:

Sl. No.	Name of the fee plaza	Name of the Stretch	Length falling in Dharmapuri District (in km)
1	Palayam	Krishnagiri - Thumbipadi section of NH-44	50
2	Karagathalli	Neraluru - Dharmapuri section of NH-844	41
3	H.Pudhupatti	Salem - Vaniyambadi section of NH-179A	33

ANNEXURE REFERRED IN REPLY TO PART (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3008 FOR ANSWER ON 18.12.2025 ASKED BY SHRI MANI A. REGARDING TOLL PLAZAS IN DHARMAPURI, TAMIL NADU.

User fee collection at fee plazas in Dharmapuri district during last three financial years:

Name of the Plaza	Revenue Collected from Fee Plazas (Rs. in Crore)			
	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26 (up to 30.11.2025)
Palayam	261.18	278.07	296.80	199.76
Karagathalli	0.00	0.00	4.00	26.32
H.Pudhupatti	0.00	0.00	0.00	9.24
