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

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 902 ANSWERED ON 4<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2025

#### **COMPENSATION TO LAND OWNERS**

#### 902. Shri N K Premachandran:

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

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#### be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to include the development of roads that were included in the Bharatmala Pariyojana (BMP) but were subsequently removed from the list in other road development projects with priority, if so, the details of action taken thereon;
- (b) whether the Government initiated action to pay compensation to the land owners whose land was notified for the development of National Highway 744 (NH-744) Greenfield Highway from Kadampattukonam to Edamon, if so, the details of action taken thereon;
- (c) whether the Regional Office Kerala of the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) is directed expediting action to pay the compensation at the earliest and if so, the details of action taken thereon; and
- (d) whether the Government proposes to sanction the development of NH-744 in a time-bound manner, if so, the details of action taken thereon?

#### **ANSWER**

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

(a) The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs had approved the implementation of Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase-I for the

development of National Highways for a length of 34,800 km. Till November 2025, 26,425 km of the projects have been awarded and 21,350 km (80% of the awarded length) have been constructed. No new projects are being sanctioned under Bharatmala Pariyojana since November 2023.

The development of the Highway network is a continuous process. Residual projects have been prioritised in the overall development pipeline and are being taken up for development based on the outcome of the respective Detailed Project Report (DPR), traffic density and synergy with PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan.

(b) to (d) The process for preparation of Detailed Project Report for the development of Greenfield Highway from Kadampattukonam to Edamon to Aryankavu (Kerala/Tamil Nadu Border) NH 744 has been initiated. The work will be taken up based on the outcome of the DPR, traffic density and synergy with PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan.

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