

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6405  
ANSWERED ON 02<sup>ND</sup> APRIL, 2026**

**NATIONAL HIGHWAY PROJECTS IN TAMIL NADU**

**6405. SHRI NAVASKANI K:**

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

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

**be pleased to state:**

**(a) whether the Government has been implementing the Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase-I to strengthen National Highway infrastructure and improve seamless road connectivity across the country, including in Tamil Nadu;**

**(b) the details of National Highway projects sanctioned, awarded and completed under Bharatmala Pariyojana and other highway development programmes in Tamil Nadu during the last five years;**

**(c) whether improved highway connectivity is contributing to faster movement of goods and passengers, enhanced logistics efficiency and regional economic development in various parts of the State;**

**(d) the details of road safety measures, audits and modern design standards adopted in the construction and upgradation of National Highways passing through Ramanathapuram district; and**

**(e) whether the Government proposes to take up additional National Highway projects, bypasses or connectivity corridors in Ramanathapuram district to further strengthen transport infrastructure and regional economic development in the area?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(a) to (c) Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase-I was approved by the Government in 2017, envisaging development of 34,800 km of National Highways at an**

**estimated outlay of Rs. 5,35,000 crore, with the objective of improving connectivity to key economic centres and reducing logistics costs through development of economic corridors, feeder routes, inter-corridors, and coastal roads.**

**Under the programme, projects covering 26,425 km have been awarded, out of which 22,223 km have been constructed as of February 2026. Details of projects sanctioned, awarded, and completed under various programmes in the State of Tamil Nadu during the last five years by National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) are annexed.**

**(d) Road safety provisions are an integral part of the project scope and are incorporated as per relevant Indian Road Congress (IRC) codes at the time of estimate sanction. Accordingly, measures such as High Mast Lights, retro-reflective signs, thermoplastic road markings, road studs, solar blinkers, rumble strips, crash barriers, signboards, and hazard markers have been provided at 44 locations on the Thiruppuvanam–Ramanathapuram section, along with geometrical improvements at four locations on the Karaikudi–Ramanathapuram section.**

**(e) The details are annexed.**

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Sl. No	Name Project	Scheme	Length ( Km)	Cost (Rs.in Cr.)	Date of Award	Appoint ed Date	Physical Progress as on 28.02.2026 (%)	Actual / Revised Scheduling date of completion
1	4-laning Neraluru-Thorapalli Agraharam section of NH-844 ( Package-I)	Bharatmata Pariyojana	23.35	1757.27	27.01.2022	26.10.2022	80.92%	31.07.2026
2	6L of Maduravoyal - Sriperumbudur Section from Km. 13+800 - Km. 37+000 of NH-4 through NH-GoTN	Bharatmata Pariyojana	23.20	463.07	22.11.2021	14.02.2022	100.00%	Completed on 27.12.2024
3	Balance works of 4-Lane from Thiruvallur Bypass to Veppampattu Bypass passing through Thannerkulam, Thozur and Sevapet Bypass of Tirupati-Tiruttani-Chennai Section of NH-716	Bharatmata Pariyojana	17.52	467.99	10.05.2022	21.09.2022	97.92%	30.04.2026
4	4L of Vadugapatti to Therkuvenganallur ( Rajapalyam) section of NH-744 (Package -II)	Bharatmata Pariyojana	35.60	1317.06	31.03.2022	12.04.2023	99.70%	15.04.2026
5	4L of Thirumangalam to Vadugapatti section of NH-744 (Package-I)	Bharatmata Pariyojana	36.00	1076.97	31.03.2022	23.02.2023	93.74%	31.05.2026
6	4-laning of STRR Bengaluru, NH 948A Balagondapalli (Tamil Nadu) to Karnataka/Tamil Nadu border	Bharatmata Pariyojana	35.766	1260.74	09.03.2024	18.05.2023	83.02%	30.09.2026
7	Two Lane with Paved Shoulder from Thoppur Mettur Bhavani	NH (O)	85.00	242.40	14.07.2022	Package I = 04.08.2022	100.00%	Completed on 28.02.2025

	<b>Erode Section of NH 544H</b>					<b>Package II = 25.07.2022, Package III = 04.08.2022, Package IV = 08.08.2022</b>		
<b>8</b>	<b>Six laning of Tuticorin Port Road section of NH-7A</b>	<b>NH (O)</b>	<b>6.14</b>	<b>157.67</b>	<b>31.03.2023</b>	<b>05.07.2023</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>Completed on 30.06.2025</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>4-laning of left over works including Additional structures in KL/TN Border Kanyakumari of NH-66</b>	<b>Bharatmata Pariyojana</b>	<b>53.71</b>	<b>1564.23</b>	<b>31.03.2023</b>	<b>12.08.2023</b>	<b>72.43%</b>	<b>30.04.2026</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>New Double Tier 4-lane Elevated Corridor from Chennai Port to Maduravoyal (Package-I)</b>	<b>Bharatmata Pariyojana</b>	<b>4.95</b>	<b>1388.59</b>	<b>31.07.2023</b>	<b>23.11.2023</b>	<b>18.92%</b>	<b>16.11.2027</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>New Double Tier 4-lane Elevated Corridor from Chennai Port to Maduravoyal (Package-II)</b>	<b>Bharatmata Pariyojana</b>	<b>5.10</b>	<b>1616.97</b>	<b>31.07.2023</b>	<b>23.11.2023</b>	<b>15.48%</b>	<b>16.11.2027</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>New Double Tier 4-lane Elevated Corridor from Chennai Port to Maduravoyal (Package-III)</b>	<b>Bharatmata Pariyojana</b>	<b>4.49</b>	<b>1299.36</b>	<b>31.07.2023</b>	<b>23.11.2023</b>	<b>15.38%</b>	<b>16.11.2027</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>New Double Tier 4-lane Elevated Corridor from Chennai Port to Maduravoyal (Package-IV)</b>	<b>Bharatmata Pariyojana</b>	<b>6.41</b>	<b>1205.40</b>	<b>31.07.2023</b>	<b>23.11.2023</b>	<b>6.67%</b>	<b>16.11.2027</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>Construction of Trumpet Interchange Connecting Bangalore -Chennai Expressway with Maduravoyal - Walajahpet Section of NH 48 near Sriperumbudur</b>	<b>Bharatmata Pariyojana</b>	<b>1.10</b>	<b>162.55</b>	<b>10.01.2024</b>	<b>26.02.2024</b>	<b>28.79%</b>	<b>31.10.2026</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>Access Controlled Highway of 4 Lane with Paved Shoulders</b>	<b>NH (O)</b>	<b>43.95</b>	<b>1376.10</b>	<b>09.03.2024</b>	<b>28.12.2024</b>	<b>28.01%</b>	<b>27.12.2026</b>

	from Tiruvallur to TN/AP Broder section of NH-716 (Chennai-Tirupati Package-1)							
16	Improving the alignment of Thoppur Gh at section from in Dharmapuri - Salem section of NH-44	NH (O)	6.60	905.00	09.03.2024	21.03.2025	27.80%	20.03.2028
17	Balance Works for six laning of Sriperumbudur to Karaipettai section of NH-48	NHDP (Phase-V)	16.820	411.160	07.11.2024	27.01.2025	26.16%	27.10.2026
18	Access controlled Highway of 4 lane with paved shoulders from Walajapet/Ranipet to TN/AP Border of NH-40	NH (O)	28.021	1338.140	24.01.2025	30.09.2025	5.00%	29.09.2027
19	Balance works for four laning of Vikravandi to Sethiyathoppu section of NH 45C	NH (O)	65.96	834.430	20.03.2025	25.06.2025	17.21%	24.06.2027
20	Construction of Bypass to Gangaikonda Cholapuram in Kallagam to Meensurutti section of NH - 81 (Old NH - 227) in Tamil Nadu on EPC Mode under NH (O).	NH (O)	7.18	180.59	06.03.2026	Agreement to be signed		
21	Four laning of Paramakudi to Ramanathapuram section of NH-87	NH (O)	46.67	1853.16	27.11.2025	Agreement signed on 08.01.2026. Appointed Date to be declared		
22	Four laning of Marakkkanam-Puducherry section of NH 332 A	NH (O)	46.05	2157.09	05.02.2026	Agreement to be signed		
	<b>Total</b>		<b>599.56</b>	<b>23035.94</b>				

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<b>Details of National Highway Stretches passing through Ramanathapuram District of Tamil Nadu along with their status and proposed upgradation, by NHAI.</b>					
<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>NH No.</b>	<b>Name of the proposed project</b>	<b>Total Length (Km)</b>	<b>Length falling in Ramanathapuram District (Km)</b>	<b>Remarks / Present Status</b>
1	87	Thiruppuvanam (Madurai) - Paramakudi Ramanathapuram Section	115.48	64.98	4-laning of Paramakudi - Ramanathapuram Section of 46.67 Km has been taken up at a cost of Rs.1853.16 Cr. and contract awarded on 27.11.2025 and Agreement signed on 08.01.2026.
2	536	Karaikudi - Ramanathapuram section	80.00	49.15	Upgraded to 2-lane with Paved Shoulder configuration on 02.05.2023 and is presently under O&M stage.
3	32	4 laning of Nagappattinam - Tuticorin via Ramanathapuram Section	308.00	131.64	Detailed Project Report (DPR) is awarded.
4	87	Ramanathapuram - Rameswaram - Dhanushkodi section	74.57	74.57	Bids for preparing Detailed Project Report (DPR) have been invited.
5	85	Kerala/Tamil Nadu border - Theni - Madurai - Thondi section	225.00	17.80	Bids for preparing Detailed Project Report (DPR) have been invited.
		<b>Total</b>	<b>803.05</b>	<b>338.14</b>	

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