GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 897 ANSWERED ON 3RD DECEMBER, 2015

SCRAPPING OF TOLL SYSTEM

897. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI: SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA: SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY KOTHA: SHRI Y.S. AVINASH REDDY:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

- (a) whether there has been any demand for scrapping of the toll system by transporters;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction thereto;
- (c) whether there was any strike by the transporters across the country during the first week of October, 2015 in this regard;
- (d) if so, whether the Government has taken any step to avoid such strikes; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the loss suffered as a result of strike including making roads toll free?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

- (a) Yes, Madam.
- (b) The demand of the transporters has been to levy one time amount in a year and their vehicles be allowed free access on the National Highways without interruption. The demand has not yet been accepted by the Ministry.
- (c) Yes, Madam.
- (d) Government has constituted a coordination Committee under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary (RT&H) to review periodically the issues faced by the transporters.
- (e) The Committee has been meeting regularly. In order to make the movements of the transports seamless nation wide electronic user fee collection is being launched on pan India basis.
