

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 362
ANSWERED ON 18TH JULY, 2019

DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL HIGHWAYS

*362. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

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

- (a) whether any stretch of the National Highways under the Bharatmala Pariyojana has been identified for development as Economic Corridor and/or National Corridors Efficiency improvements in Kerala;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether any stretch of the National Highways in Kerala has been included for development under the coastal and port connectivity roads, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) whether any proposal in this regard is under consideration for the State of Kerala and if so, the details along with the progress made and present status thereof?

ANSWER

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

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA
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(a) to (d) The details of Economic Corridors/National Corridors Efficiency Improvements for the State of Kerala under the overall Bharatmala Pariyojana is as below:

Classification of Corridor	No. of Corridors	Length (km)
National Corridor /NEIP	1	146.75
Economic Corridor	3	866.30

The Government of India had approved Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase-I in October, 2017 for development of economic corridors, inter corridors, feeder routes, national corridors, border roads, international connectivity roads, coastal roads, port connectivity roads and expressways with an aggregate length of about 34,800 km (including 10,000 km residual NHDP stretches) at an estimated outlay of Rs. 5,35,000.00 crores, in the entire country including the State of Kerala. A total of 178 road projects with an aggregate length of 7,998 km have been awarded till March, 2019 under Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase-I (including 49 of residual NHDP works of aggregate length of 2,167 kms) in the entire country, of which 04 projects with an aggregate length of about 51 km have been awarded in the State of Kerala.

Further, 11 road stretches with an aggregate length of about 120 km have been identified for development under port connectivity component of Bharatmala Pariyojana in the State of Kerala. The road stretches under port connectivity component have been finalized in consultation with various State Governments and the Ministry of Shipping. These road stretches have been envisaged for development provided that the respective State Government ensures availability of encumbrance free land / Right of Way along with utility shifting and all the requisite statutory clearances i.e. forest clearance, CRZ clearance, environmental clearance etc.
