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Title: Demand to construct flyovers on the NH-16 between Anakalli and Ananthapuram Junction in Visakhapatnam City.

SHRI M.V.V. SATYANARAYANA (VISAKHAPATNAM): Hon. Speaker, Sir, thank you for giving me this opportunity. In order to develop the various regions of Andhra Pradesh, the Government of Andhra Pradesh has decided to have the Executive capital of Andhra Pradesh in Visakhapatnam. In this regard, I would like to draw the attention of the hon. Minister of Road Transport and Highways, through this august House, that NH 16 passes through Visakhapatnam city from Anakapalli to Ananthapuram junction. There are a lot of junctions between Anakapalli and Ananthapuram junction and presently there is heavy traffic in the NH 16 highway passing through Visakhapatnam city which creates a lot of traffic congestion and also results in unsafe travel conditions to the public at large. Thus, there is an urgent need to provide flyovers/VUPs at major junctions for which an approximate sum of Rs. 300 crore would be required.

I would, therefore, like to urge upon the hon. Minister, through you, to accord approval for construction of flyovers/VUPs on the existing highway as `one time investment' prior to handing over this stretch for further maintenance to the State R&B Department. This would go a long way in solving the problems of the public at large. Our State Chief Minister, Shri Y. S. Jagan Mohan Reddy also has written a letter to the hon. Minister regarding this issue.

Thank you.