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Title: Regarding six laning of Karur to Coimbatore road -laid.

**SHRI K. SHANMUGA SUNDARAM (POLLACHI):** I would like to draw your kind attention towards building of new six lane road from Karur to Coimbatore on NH 81. We already have four lane road from Karur to Coimbatore. The Government decided to widen it into six-lane road.

The widening of the existing Coimbatore- Karur road was dropped because land acquisition was turning out to be more expensive. The farmers, who have lands between Karur and Coimbatore, will be affected because of this new six-lane road. The project will require almost 3,000 acres of land, most of which are fertile agricultural lands and farmers own between two and three acres of land and are dependent on farming for a livelihood.

The existing road can be widened instead of converting into 6 lane with huge investment.

The construction of the Coimbatore- Palakkad NH-67 is going on for the last six to seven years but the work is still uncompleted. I urge the Government to allocate required fund immediately to finish the remaining work at the earliest.