

Title: Regarding construction of an underpass at KM 161 near Nadal railway gate in Edakkad, Kannur district, Kerala

SHRI K. SUDHAKARAN (KANNUR): The operations of existing road transport facilities and business establishments in the 33rd division of Edakkad zone under Kannur Corporation are seriously getting affected due to the passage of the newly developing NH No-66 in Kannur.

This underpass is crucial for connecting prominent locations such as the prestigious temple of North Malabar, 'Shri Oorpazhachi Kavu' temple, 'Edakkad Shri Mahavishnu temple', educational institutions such as Kadachira Higher Secondary School and Nadal Bazaar that receive significant footfall by the local public.

However, the Hon'ble Minister in response to the unstarred question had informed that the Ministry has sanctioned an underpass at km 162.360 connecting the beach road and Edakkad Bazaar. It may be noted that it is need or the hour to construct an underpass at km 161 as well, which is connecting an entirely different region. The Oorpazhachi Kavu - Chala, Mallikaparambu - Kadachira road is the most significant and extensively accessed road by the people.