Reg. Need to address the issue of problems, difficulties faced by people (particularly Kerala) in connection with faulty desing plan of flyovers/underpass and ongoing development work of NH-66

DR. M. P. ABDUSSAMAD SAMADANI (MALAPPURAM): Sir, I would like to draw the attention of this Government through this august House to certain difficulties faced by the people in connection with the ongoing development work of National Highway no.66, especially in my constituency.

Sir, the development work is laudable. It is very essential. People have welcomed it and have always cooperated in all manners possible. But they have certain difficulties and grievances with regard to the work that is going on. For example, the intersection of Areekode Parappanangadi State highway with NH-66 at Kolappuram junction in my constituency is inadequately designed, necessitating an additional travel of five kilometers to various locations. A proper design of this intersection is urgently required. Both the junctions at Thazhe Chelari road leading to Parappanangadi and the junction at Mele Chelari leading to Mathappuzha lack sufficient space and the conjunction in the junctions causes uncontrolled traffic block.

Sir, longstanding demands from the public for flyovers or underpasses at Irumbu Cholam, Velimukku, Kohinoor, Pengotturmad, and Parammal locations remain unaddressed and need solution. Panchayat roads like Parappulakkal and Kuzhimpattupadam have a level difference, and entry to the service road is not feasible. There is a very serious problem of drainage at various places. Drainage and culvert outlets causing flood in several places require proper connection to natural streams. Adequate arrangements for access from the highway to residential and commercial plots are needed.

Sir, Kerala is a thickly populated State. While making these designs and plans, these factors had to be addressed at the very outset. But there are serious deficiencies in this regard, and people are facing serious problems. I urge upon the Government to take a serious note of the situation, and intervene in this matter to find an urgent solution to the difficulties being faced by the people. Thank you.

HON. CHAIRPERSON: Shri Jamyang Tsering Namgyal? Not present.

Shri Sanjeev Kumar Singari ji.