Regarding construction of small vehicle underpasses in the Thrissur Constituency

SHRI T. N. PRATHAPAN (THRISSUR): Hon. Chairperson, Sir, the widening project of National Highway No. 66? Kerala is progressing. It is one of the largest national highway projects in the State of Kerala. But people living on both the sides of the national highway have many concerns as they feel divided and separated in their villages and towns by this NH-66. People have been requesting for the construction of small vehicle underpasses at various places to ensure connectivity and access between the two sides. In my constituency Thrissur, small vehicle underpasses should be constructed in Mandalamkunnu Junction in Punnayur and Punnayurkulam Panchayats, in Chettuva of Engandiyur Panchayat, in Pulampuzha and Puliyamthuruthi of Thalikkulam Panchayat, in Nattika Centre of Nattika Panchayat, and in Edamuttam Center of Valappad Panchayat.

I had conveyed these demands of the people to the hon. Minister of Road Transport and Highways Shri Nitin Gadkari ji and the officials of NHAI. But there is no proper step taken by the Ministry to solve the issues and concerns of people. So, the people are agitating. I once again request the hon. Minister of Road Transport and Highways to consider this, and approve these demands of the people. This is an important and serious issue of my constituency of Thrissur, Kerala.

Thank you, Sir.