

Regarding construction of Kannur By-Pass on NH-66-laid

SHRI K. SUDHAKARAN (KANNUR): The plight of the residents of Valiyannur Village in Kannur is a matter of concern due to the unresolved issues in the construction of the Kannur By-Pass [NH 66]. The service road, from L 150/596 towards Kozhikode, disrupts residents' travel as it is built parallel to the main road. Additionally, rainwater pooling near the proposed by-pass lacks drainage, impacting Varam town and its surroundings. In light of these issues, there has been widespread public demand to reevaluate the L 150/596 chainage and establish a drainage system from Varam areas to Kakkad. Residents also request travel facilities along the PC road, especially from (L150+100), for easy access from Chalilmota via Palliprom to Kannur. In response to my unstarred question no. 776, the Minister acknowledges the issues raised by the residents but states that the project provides sufficient service roads, crossing facilities, and drainage as per the concession agreement. The Ministry may kindly take into account the demands of the local people.