Regarding four laning of National Highways connecting Machilipatnam Port in Andhra Pradesh-laid

SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI (MACHILIPATNAM): In my Parliamentary Constituency i.e., Machilipatnam, a new port is coming up. So, there is a need to have better road infrastructure for transportation of goods. For this purpose, there is an urgent need for 4-laning of National Highways connecting Machilipatnam Port to enhance trade and supply-chain efficiency. The port's benefits can only be fully realized with good connectivity and infrastructure. Hence, I request the Hon?ble Road Transport & Highways Minister regarding the following issues:

1. Pedana to Gudivada section of NH-216H proposed 2-lane may create traffic issues.

2. A portion of NH-216 from port connectivity road to NH-216H and NH-65 4-lane needed to prevent traffic congestion.

3. Link road from port connectivity to its junction at NH-216 is needed. Land has already been acquired.

These upgrades will ensure smooth movement of traffic for port, strengthen NHs, interconnectivity and contribute to economic growth. I appreciate your consideration and look forward towards a positive response and swift action.