

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 54
ANSWERED ON 25TH JULY, 2024**

BAKKALAM UNDERPASS ALONG NH-66

***54. SHRI K SUDHAKARAN:**

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received a petition from public representative for construction of an underpass at lower Bakkalam along the NH-66 Taliparamba-Kannur stretch on 09.07.2024 and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the Government is aware that the Lower Bakkalam and Ozhakram area is a crucial junction where 7 major roads converge and serves as a connecting point for 25,000 residents in the region; and**
- (c) whether the Government has considered the proposal for the Bakkalam underpass and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)**

(a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 54 ANSWERED ON 25TH JULY, 2024 ASKED BY SHRI K SUDHAKARAN REGARDING 'BAKKALAM UNDERPASS ALONG NH-66'.

(a) to (c) Bakkalam Junction falls on Thaliparambha – Muzhappilangad Section from km 134.650 to km 170.600 of NH-17 (New NH-66) (Project Length 29.948 km) for which project of 6 laning is at implementation stage. The proposal for construction of Underpass at lower Bakkalam (Km 136.020) was received on 12.07.2024. The proposal was examined and an underpass of size 10X4m has been agreed to.
