

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1309  
ANSWERED ON:27.11.2000  
CONSTRUCTION OF EXPRESS HIGHWAY  
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**Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government propose to construct an express highway between Chennai and Kanyakumari considering heavy traffic and commercial potentials;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefore?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJOR GENERAL (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI, AVSM)

(a) to (c) : No, Sir. There is no proposal at present to construct an Expressway between Chennai and Kanyakumari. However, the National Highway connecting Chennai and Kanyakumari is proposed to be 4/6 laned depending on availability of funds. Presently, this work is at project preparation stage.