

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1470  
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WIDENING OF NH-218  
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**Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the work on widening of NH-218 from Kulageri to Kerur has been delayed;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the present status of the project; and
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for timely completion of the work?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) to (d): For taking up the work of widening of NH-218, an estimate amounting to Rs.290.42 lakhs for shifting of utilities and reconstruction/widening of culverts from km92.00 to km 115.00 which covers the reach from Kulageri to Kerur was sanctioned during 2006-07 in the first stage. Though there is a provision for widening of this stretch in the Annual Plan 2007-08, the work can be taken up only after the completion of shifting of utilities.