

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2744
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PRE PAID TOLL TAX
Paranjpe Shri Anand Prakash

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Highways Authority of India has any proposal to introduce pre-paid toll tax to avoid stagnation at the toll plazas;
- (b) if so, the time by which such system is likely to become operational;
- (c) whether all the toll plazas/booths including privately operated ones are likely to be covered;and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI R. P. N. SINGH)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) Nationwide interoperable Electronic Toll Collection (ETC) system is expected to be operationalised by 2012.
- (c) Yes, Sir.
- (d) National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) proposes to introduce nationwide interoperable Electronic Toll Collection (ETC) for payment of user fee without stopping at the Toll Plazas. By sticking Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) Tags on the wind shield of the vehicles, the road users can travel seamlessly across National Highways in India.