GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:328 ANSWERED ON:27.07.2010 GRANTS FOR STATE PROJECT Siddeswara Shri Gowdar Mallikarjunappa

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

- (a) whether the Government of Karnataka has requested the Union Government for a one time grant of Rs. 23.45 crores for a project to establish a Driving Training Institute & Traffic Research in Bangalore;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Union Government has considered the said request; and
- (d) if so, the time by which the amount is likely to be released for this purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI MAHADEO SINGH KHANDELA)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) Govt. of Karnataka has sent a proposal for establishment of Institute of Driving Training and Traffic Research at Singanayakanahalli village, Yalahankahobli, Bangalore North Thaluk, Bangalore at an estimated cost of Rs. 23.45 Crore. Bangalore Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTC) has sent a separate proposal for setting up of Driver training Institute at Vaddarahalli village, Dasanapurahobli Nelamangala Thaluk, Bangalore at an estimated cost of Rs. 20.00 Crore.
- (c) to (d) The scheme of "setting up of model Driver Training Institute" was dropped by Planning Commission during the year 2007-08. After persistent efforts by this Ministry, the Planning Commission has given their in principle approval on 21.01.2009 for revival of the Scheme. This Ministry is in the process of obtaining appraisal of the Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) to this Central Sector Scheme.

After the scheme is approved, all pending proposals will be considered within the parameters of the new scheme. It is proposed to set up at least one such school in each State. Therefore, preference will be given to those States where such type of Driving Training Institutes has not been set up so far.