GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4212 ANSWERED ON:29.08.2011 SERVICE PLAZAS ON NHs Krishnaswamy Shri M.

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

(a) whether the Government has received any proposals to set up service plazas which include restaurants, restrooms, convenience stores, lodging and vehicle service centres along the National Highways;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard; and

(c) the time by which such service plazas are likely to be set up in the country and the likely expenditure to be incurred thereon?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) Yes, Madam. National Highways Authority of India has planned provision of Way-side Amenities on National Highways. These amenities would include parking for cars, buses & trucks, eateries, rest rooms for short stay, neat toilets, fuel stations /service centre etc.

(b) & (c) 11 available locations have been leased out, of which 4 have already been developed and remaining 7 sites are likely to be developed within a year. Total 60 new sites have been identified along North-South corridor (From Kanyakumari to Hyderabad) and along East-West corridor (From Porbandar to Lucknow) for setting up of Wayside amenities in phased manner. Remaining stretches of North South & East West corridor are to be taken up in next phase. The wayside amenities are to be leased out for development and all expenditure shall be borne by the lessee.