

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5167  
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NH-49  
Dias Dr. Charles

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

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- (a) whether the Government is taking necessary steps to complete the proposed NH-49 from Cochin to Madurai;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which present status of the by-pass being constructed on the said NH starting from Kundannoor to Puthencruz alongwith the time by which it is likely to be completed?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c) Yes, Madam. The stretch of NH-49 from Madurai (km 5/2) to Bodimettu (km 119/0) is already developed. The remaining stretch from Bodimettu (km. 119/0) to Kundannoor (km 286/6) is proposed for development under National Highways Development Project (NHDP) Phase IV B on Public Private Partnership (PPP) basis. The feasibility study of the proposed development including bypass in the stretch from Kundannoor to Puthencruz is in progress. The implementation of the proposed project including bypass can be taken up after completion of the feasibility studies.