GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2594 ANSWERED ON:10.12.2012 CONCERNS OF ROAD SAFETY FORUM Abdulrahman Shri ;Gowda Shri D.B. Chandre

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

- (a) whether the Government has received a representation from the Road Safety Forum to avoid high tolls on the proposed six lane National Highways of the country particularly on NH-16;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether Road Safety Forum has suggested only 12000 vehicles per day for widening highway into six lane standards;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to address the concerns of the Road Safety Forum and enhance road safety of commuters on NHs?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI SARVEY SATHYANARAYANA)

- (a) and (b) Yes, Madam. Several representation were received from the Road Safety Forum regarding 6-laning of National Highway in the State of Andhra Pradesh pertaining to issues related to traffic study, compensation, tollage, public hearing. Suitable replies have already been given on these representations. One such representation received on 04.12.2012 is under process in the Ministry.
- (c) and (d) No, Madam. Road Safety Forum has mentioned some study projecting that 50000 vehicle per day are plying on NH-16. NHAI had informed to Road Safety Forum that as per their feasibility report the average daily traffic is around 12000 vehicles per day (38,498 PCU per day) and not 50000.
- (e) Projects undertaken by NHAI comprises of all safety features at appropriate places based on feasibility.