

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:533

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Exemption in Toll Tax

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to exempt private vehicles and buses from paying toll on highways in their districts;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be implemented;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to introduce electronic toll collection system on the national highways by removing toll plazas;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the objectives thereof including the time by which it is likely to be implemented; and
- (e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to give relief to commuters and ease congestion on highways?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE  
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) No, Madam.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Yes, Madam. Fee will be collected electronically on the existing fee plaza.

(d) & (e) Yes, Madam. Government has decided to implement Electronic Toll Collection (ETC) system on pan India basis by 2015. In this system a pre-paid electronic tag "FASTag" will be fixed on the wind screen of the vehicle. Once fitted with "FASTag" vehicle will move seamlessly throughout all fee plazas on National Highways across the country and fee amount will be deducted automatically. Interoperable ETC system is already operational on Delhi Mumbai arm of Golden Quadrilateral. Once implemented, it will help in reducing congestion at the Toll Plazas.

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