

Title: Need to sanction Circular Ring Railway Project for Bangalore.

SHRI G. PUTTA SWAMY GOWDA (HASSAN): Mr. Speaker, Sir, almost all the roads of Bangalore city have become highly congested and the number of accidents in each of these roads has risen very steeply. The roads where the traffic vehicles have to halt at least 15 to 20 minutes at signal lights are (1) Kempe Gowda Road (2) Jaychama Rajendra Road (3) Avenue Road (4) Residency Road (5) Roads leading to Shivajinagar Bus Stand and many others. There are no fly-overs on these roads and added to this, there are very large permanent buildings on both sides of the roads. Hence, expansion or extension of any of these roads is ruled out.

The traffic is acute during peak hours. There is tremendous increase in the number of vehicles on these roads. The Ministry of Urban Development and the State Government are expressing their helplessness in this regard. The future of transport system in the city is very gloomy. Experts have opined that Circular Ring Railway is the only solution for this long pending problem.

I, therefore, urge upon the hon. Railway Minister to sanction this Ring Railway Project to Bangalore without any further loss of time.