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Title: Need to allocate funds for repair and maintenance of Tindivanam-Krishnagiri NH-66 in Tamil Nadu.

SHRI E.G. SUGAVANAM (KRISHNAGIRI): In my Krishnagiri district, Tamil Nadu, number of Highways are passing through. Out of which Tindivanam-Krishnagiri- NH 66 (200kms.) is an important NH project. This highway was earlier maintained by the State Government and later it was upgraded as National Highway (NH 66). This highway connects important places viz., Thiruvannamali Temple – Where tourists from all parts of the country visit throughout the year, JIPMER Hospital & Arvindo Ashram (Union Territory of Pondicherry) – where people from within and the outside country visit for medical treatment and darshan. This NH 66 is in a very dilapidated condition and there are pot-holes at many places. As there is huge traffic on this road, often vehicles get damaged. The Government of India has identified this project for upgradation at a cost of Rs. 700 crore. However, till date, there seems to be no progress on this project.

I, therefore, urge upon the Union Government to take up the Upgradation of Tindivanam- Krishnagiri-NH 66 (200 Kms.) on priority basis and allocate necessary funds for the same at the earliest.