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Title: Need to release funds for the widening of NH-17 on Zarap – Patradevi and Raigad-Sindhudurg sections in Maharashtra.

SHRI NILESH NARAYAN RANE (RATNAGIRI-SINDHUDURG): Sir, I would like to talk about a very specific topic which is about my Constituency Sindhudurg.

Sir, it is about the National Highway 17. The work of widening the National Highway 17 is very slow for the past few years. It has started in a phased manner. It is going on at a very slow speed for the past few years. There have been a lot of accidents during the past two years. About thousand people have died on this Highway.

So, I request the Government to take action on this very specific phase which is Zarap to Patradevi. The work has completely stopped there for the past few months. Eighty per cent of the work has already been completed. Twenty per cent of the work is still pending. The work has been stopped now.

Sir, the people are facing a lot of troubles. My constituency is Ratnagiri in Sindhudurg district. Sindhudurg is one of the districts that come in my constituency.

I would urge upon the Government to release funds immediately for the completion of the remaining 20 per cent work. The roads are already in bad condition, and the people are facing a lot of troubles. So, I would request the Government to take action and release funds immediately.