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Title: Need to upgrade the State Highway to National Highway in Thanjavur Parliamentary Constituency.

SHRI K. PARASURAMAN (THANJAVUR): Hon. Deputy-Speaker, Sir, I would like to draw the attention of our hon. Minister of Road Transport and Highways to this important issue.

The following roads and bridges are very much damaged in my constituency. Rebuilding of the Grand Anaicut-Cauveripattinam Road, reconstruction of high level bridge across the river Vennar at km 5/10 Thirukattupalli-Sengipatti-Pattukottai Road, reconstruction of bridge at km 22/2 of Pappanadu-Makukur-Perugavalthan Road, widening from the single line to intermediate lane and strengthening of km. 0/0-16/8 of the left bank of Vennar Palliagraharam-Kalancherry road including the long pending, long demanding protective work, (SH 29) Thanjavur-Pattukottai-Aranthangi-Karaikudi-Kallal-Kalayarkoil-Maravamangalam-Ilayankudi-Paramakudi-Mudukulathur-Sayalkudi road are important ones. The State Highway (SH 29) is connecting important districts of Thanjavur, Pudukottai, Sivagangai, Ramanathapuram etc. and arterial road of inter-State cities of Tamil Nadu. It has also port connectivity and is running along the costal area. This road is having a total length of 248.2 km. There is very heavy traffic flow. Hence upgradation of the State Highway to National Highway is necessary. I would request the Government to do the needful. Thank you very much.

HON. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Shrimati Neelam Sonkar – not present.