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Title:Need to expedite the completion of laying work of national Highway No. 66 in Arani Parliamentary Constituency.

SHRI V. ELUMALAI (ARANI): I wish to raise an important issue pertaining to my constituency. National Highway No. 66 is the prime road connectivity to many tourist places and pilgrim centres, like Arunachaleswara Temple in Tiruvannamalai and Angalamman Temple in Melmalaiyanur.

Laying work in this National Highway started in the year 2009. But still the work is pending. During November, 2015, after the North-East Monsoon rains and due to the worst condition prevailing in this National Highway No.66, a precious life was lost in an accident. These kinds of accidents are a routine nature in this highway since laying work has not been completed for long. I have written letters to the hon. Minister for Road Transport and Highways Shri Nitin Gadkari and the hon. Minister of State for Road Transport and Highways Shri Pon. Radhakrishnan to look into this issue.

I, therefore, once again urge the Ministry concerned through this august House to expedite the laying work and making this National Highway No.66 safer and secure for vehicular traffic at the earliest. Thank you.