

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3166  
ANSWERED ON 12<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2020

**BYPASS ROADS ON NH-85 IN KERALA**

3166. SHRI THOMAS CHAZHIKADAN:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- whether the Government has any proposal to construct bypass on NH-85 from Muvattupuzha to Kothamangalam in the State of Kerala;
- if so, the details thereof;
- whether the Government is aware of the slow pace of work on National Highway development projects in the State and if so, the reasons therefor; and
- the details of such major projects in the State along with the funds provided for each project during the years 2018-19 and 2019-20?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

**(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)**

(a) to (b) The Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the Theni ó Munnar ó Kochi stretch of NH ó 85 including Muvattupuzha to Kothamangalam has been initiated.

(c) to (d) Some 4/6-lane projects executed through National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) have been delayed due to various reasons such as Public protest, delay in land acquisition, non-availability of burrow earth & aggregates and delay in Forest clearance etc. The details of such major projects along with the expenditure incurred during the years 2018-19 and 2019-20 are as below:

S.No.	Name of Project	Expenditure Incurred (Cr.)	
		2018-19	2019-20
1	6-laning of Vadakkanchery (Km 240) to Thrissur (Km 270)	0	0
2	4 Laning of NH-66 Thiruvananthapuram Bypass from Mukkola (Km. 26.500) to Kerala / Tamilnadu Border	158.41	123.32
3.	4 Laning of Thalassery-Mahe Bypass	198.13	117.59

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