quality testing/monitoring test to make it fit for human consumption before supplying it to consumers. Data regarding high contamination rate of potable water supplied by municipalities to homes across cities in India is not maintained by Government of India.

- (b) to (d) to ensure that water supplied by municipalities is free from contamination, this Ministry has published the following Manuals for guidance:—
 - (i) Manual on Water Supply & Treatment;
 - (ii) Manual on Operation & Maintenance of Water Supply System.

The guidelines laid down in aforesaid Manuals are to be complied with by municipalities. The provision covers various technical, operational and managerial aspects including quality parameters of drinking water, monitoring and surveillance for proper operation and maintenance of water supply system for supplying safe drinking water to consumers.

Traffic density on Golden Quadrilateral

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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the traffic density on Golden Quadrilateral portion in Rajasthan;
- (b) whether this traffic density needs six laning of Golden Quadrilateral in Rajasthan; and
 - (c) if so, by when this proposal would be included in NHDP?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRIT.R. BAALU): (a) to (c) The volume of Traffic on Golden Quadrilateral passing through Rajasthan is in the range of 10200 to 49500 Passenger Car Unit. The proposal for six-laning of the whole Golden Quadrilateral including the stretch passing through Rajasthan has been approved by the Government under the National Highways Development Project (NHDP) Phase-V.