THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI MAHADEV S. KHANDELA): (a) and (b) The Government has introduced a bill in Lok Sabha on 4th May, 2010 to create National Road Safety and Traffic Management Board to oversee road safety activities in the country in a comprehensive manner.

- (c) and (d) The bill also envisages creation of National Road Safety and Traffic Management Fund by way of earmarking one percent of the Cess on petrol and diesel allocated for National Highways and Railways for providing an independent resource mechanism for the National Road Safety and Traffic Management Board to carry out its activities.
- (e) Yes Sir. As per the World Road Statistics (WRS) 2009, brought out by the international Road Federation, Geneva, India has reported the highest number of the persons killed in Road Accidents (114444) followed by China (81649). United States of America (17,48,435) has the highest Number of "injury accidents" followed by Japan (832454) & India (479219).
- (f) The National Road Safety and Traffic Management Board Bill-2010 envisages that the Board will have powers to recommend standards for design, construction and maintenance of National Highways besides recommending safety standards for motor vehicles.

Road accidents on NHs in Tamil Nadu

4440. SHRI S. ANBALAGAN: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the number of fatal road accidents on the National Highways in the State of Tamil Nadu is very high mainly due to the less width of the highways;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the number of fatal accidents on the National Highways during each of the last three years and its percentage of the all India figure; and
- (c) the steps proposed to be taken by the Union Government for the widening of the National Highways in the State, highways-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI MAHADEV S. KHANDELA): (a) It is true that the number of fatal road accidents on the National Highways in the State of Tamil Nadu is very high. However, Road accidents and fatalities occurring on National Highways are caused due to a number of factors such as driver's fault, mechanical defects in the vehicles, fault of pedestrians, defect in road condition, bad weather, increase in

vehicular population, heterogeneous traffic etc. Data on road accidents due to less width of the highways are not being maintained by the Ministry separately.

(b) The number of fatal accidents on the National Highways in the State of Tamil Nadu, during the years 2006-2008 (the latest available data) and its percentage of the all India figure is as under:

Year	Total number of	Total number of fatal	Percentage with
	fatal accidents on	accidents on NHs in	reference to All
	NHs in India	Tamil Nadu	India figure
2006	34,852	3,492	10.01
2007	35,432	3,920	11.38
2008	37,096	3,883	10.46

(c) The details of National Highways wise projects of widening in the State of Tamil Nadu are given in the Statement.

Statement

List of NH wise Projects for widening in the state of Tamil Nadu

S.No.	Stretch	NH No.
1	2	3
Under	mplementation	
1	Kangayam to Coimbatore (KC-2)	67, KC2
2	Karur to Kangayam (KC-1)	67,KC1
3	Tuticorin Port (Balance work)	7A
4	Improvement of Access of GQ within Chennai City including Construction of 4 grade Seperators	205, 4 & 45
5	Kanniyakumari-Panagudi (NS-32)	7
6	Chennai Bypass Phase II	4 5, 4 & 5
7	Madurai - Kanniakumari Section (NS-42/TN)	7
8	Padalur – Trichy (Pkg – IV-C)	45
9	Salem to Kerala Border Section (TN-6)	47
10	Trichy Bypass end to Tovaramkurchi (Package – VII A)	4 5B
11	Madurai – Kanniakumari Section (NS-41/Tn)	7

1	2	3
12	Chengapalli to Coimbatore Bypass and End of Coimbatore Bypass to TN/Kerala Border	47
13	Trichy – Dindigul	45
14	Saelm-Ulundrupet (BOT-1/TN-06)	68
15	Trichy – Karur	67
16	Pondicherry – Tindivanam	66
17	Thanjarur – Trichy	67
18	Madurai – Arupukottai – Tuticorin	45B
19	Chennai – Tada (Six lane)	5
20	Six Laning of Krishnagiri – walajhaprt section	46
21	New 4-Lane Elevated Road from Chennai Port – Maduravoyal	4
22	Providing paved shoulders (12.0 km length) and renewal (km 80 km length) in selected stretches	205
23	Providing paved shoulders from km 58.0 to 60.0, 62.6 to 67.0, 79.5 to 80.2 and 88.0 to 89.0	49
24	Providing paved shoulders in km 19.0 to 20.6 and 24.025	49
25	Providing paved shoulders in km 0.0 to 1.0, 3.0 to 4.0 and 8.0 to 9.0	219
26	Providing paved shoulders in km 101.6 to 105.8 and 109.2 to 112.0	208
27	Widening to four Lane in km 76.450 to 77.8	49
28	Widening and Strengthening from km 340.0 to 345.2 and 345.8 360.6	67 Extn.
29	Providing paved shoulders from km 46.2 to 50.0, 50.6 to 51.8, 52.6 to 55.0, 55.6 to 58.0, 80.2 to 81.2, 83.2 to 88.0, 89.0 to 91.0, and 92.4 to 99.0 and widening intermediate lane to two lane in km 91.0 to 92.100 including geometric imp. At km 91.4 and cost of protective walls in selected stretches in km 99.0 to 119.0.	49
30	Providing paved shoulder in km 16.0 to 19.0, 20.6 to 24.0, 25.0 to 27.750, 28.050 to 32.600, 33.0 to 38.500 and 41.6 to 45.0	49

1	2	3
Balan	ice For award	
1	Salem to km 100 & Salem - Coimbatore - Kerala Border Section	47
2	Dindigul-Perigulam-Theni	45Ext
3	Karaikudi – Ramanathapuram	210
4	Kerala/TN Border – Kanyakumari	47
5	Coimbatore – Mettupalayam	67Ex
6	Nagapatnam – Thanjarur	67
7	Trichy – Karaikudi	210
8	Madurai - Ramnathpuram - Rameshwaram - Dhanuskodi	49
9	Theni – Kumili	220
10	Tirupati – Tiruthani – Chennai Tamil Nadu [81.5] / Andhra Pradesh [44]	205
11	Krishnagiri – Tindivanam	66
12	Tambaram – Tindivanam	45
13	Krishnagiri – Poonamalee	4 & 46
14	Bangalore – Krishnagiri (Tamil Nadu portion)	7
15	Dindigul – Karnataka Border	209
16	Thanjavur – Pudukkotai – Sivaganga – Manamadurai	226
17	Tiruchirapalli-Lalgudi-Chidambaram & Meenusuriti – Jayamkondam – Kootu Road [km 90.20 to km 93.00 (common stretch with km 96.80 to km 99.60 of NH 227)]	227 & 45C
18	Viluppuram – Pondicherry – Nagapattinam	45A
19	Vikravandi-Kumbakonam-Thanjavur	45C
20	Coimbatore – Karnataka Border	67 Ext.

Building roads and highways

4441. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state: