

National Highways are four laned. At present 8048 km of four laning of National Highways is under construction.

(d) For NH projects, Expenditure on rehabilitation is included under capital cost.

Funds for revamping of road transport system in Kerala

1700. DR. T. N. SEEMA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received any proposal from Kerala during the last two years or the current year for allocation of more funds to the State Government to revamp the road transport system in the State;

(b) if so, the amount likely to be allocated to the State in this regard; and

(c) the other steps being taken and schemes being implemented by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI RADHAKRISHNAN P.): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Does not arise in view of part (a) above.

Toll booths on NH 47

1701. SHRIMATI VIJILA SATHYANANTH: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of toll booths along National Highway 47;

(b) the details of contractors authorized to collect toll at each toll booth and the criteria for their selection;

(c) what are the specifications of contract with them together with the guidelines prescribed and conditions accepted;

(d) the duration of contract and the amount collected, so far, together with the expenditure incurred every month by them;

(e) whether Government is monitoring these contractors periodically;

(f) whether there is any violation of contract conditions; and

(g) how many of them comply with the specifications laid down by the Central Government and whether they are properly audited and accountable?