GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1580

ANSWERED ON- 08/03/2021

ELECTRONIC TOLL COLLECTION FROM FASTAG TO GPS

1580. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR MODI:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that electronic toll collection is being planned through Global Positioning System (GPS) for exact distance traversed and not through toll plaza;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that there is increase in toll collection through FASTag; and
- (c) if so, the reason for changes from FASTag to GPS?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

- (a) &(c) National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) had conducted a Pilot Project study to test the feasibility of the Global Positioning System (GPS)- based free flow fee collection on National Highways.
- (b) Government has declared all lanes of fee plazas on National Highways as "FASTag Lane of the fee plaza" w.e.f. midnight of 15th/16th February 2021. The fee collection through FASTag has increased significantly over a period of time. The average FASTag collection penetration was approximately 70% in February, 2020; 80% in mid February, 2021, and it increased to 90% after declaration of all lanes as FASTag lane of fee plaza.
