

**QUESTION DETAILS**

MINISTRY OF : ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGH WAYS

**RAJYA SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 278  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.06.2019  
National Highways in Karnataka

278. Shri G.C. Chandrashekhar

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGH WAYS be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether Government is planning to provide public amenities such as clean toilets, rest place etc. under Swachh Bharat on National and State Highways; if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether Government is aware that road work on National Highway from Chitradurga to Hospet (130 kms.) is pending since 8 years and if so, Government's reaction thereto; and
- (c) whether Government has planned smart toll deduction system on pilot basis on Hebbal-Devanahalli stretch in Bengaluru and if so, the details thereof and if not, thereasons therefor?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS  
(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

- (a) Under Swachh Bharat Mission, approximately 1219 nos. of toilet facility have been constructed on National Highways, about 2944 nos. of litterbins have been installed en-route National Highways and 1180 nos. of paintings/hoardings/banner were installed for public awareness till March, 2019 for a total cost of about Rs. 70 crores.
- (b) The work of four laning of Hospet-Chitradurga section with approximate project length as 120 kms was started in February, 2016. The scheduled construction period for this project was 30 months. Out of 120 kms, the construction of 105 km highway has been completed. There was slow down in progress due to Land Acquisition issues and various demands from local public, but matters have been resolved and the work has again been started.
- (c) Hebbal-Devanahalli stretch in Bengaluru is entrusted to National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) and no such pilot project has been initiated on this stretch by NHAI.

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