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Title: Regarding construction of bypass to NH No.- 85 Kochi-Dhanushkodi at Thrissur-laid.

SHRI THOMAS CHAZHIKADAN (KOTTAYAM): The construction of the bypass to NH 85 Kochi- Dhanushkodi (Old NH 49 Kochi-Madurai) at Thrissur is at a standstill for years. The proposed bypass is beneficial to the people of Chalakudy, Ernakulam, and Kottayam Parliamentary constituencies. The total length of the proposed Thrissur Bypass starting from Mattakuzhy (km 274/000 of NH - 85) and ending near the Thrissur Mini Bypass Junction is 08.23 km. The process of acquiring/freezing land was started more than 30 years back and the owners of more than 34 hectares. of land are not permitted to do any activity for 3 decades.

If the newly proposed Kochi Bypass is aligned on the same route along the already acquired/frozen land for the earlier proposed Thrissur Bypass, new acquisition of land can be avoided, and the cost could be reduced. The owners of land already acquired/frozen for the project of Thrissur Bypass are in great agony.

I urge upon the government that the proposal should be reconsidered.