## Regarding need for widening of Thumpala-KB road in Anakapalli district of Andhra Pradesh under Central Road and Infrastructure Fund Scheme-Laid

DR. C. M. RAMESH (ANAKAPALLE): Rural Areas in Anakapalli District are largely dependent on Thumapala-KB Road as it connects two important State Highways of Anakapalli District i.e., AC Road (SH 150) & KB Road (SH 148). The Villages in this area use the road for transport of agriculture products to Vizianagaram, Visakhapatnam, Anakkapalli & nearby towns. Besides that metal & other materials are also transported on this road for development works in Visakhapatnam, Vizianagaram & Anakapalli as there are many quarries and brick industries alongside this road. This road also joins more than 9 R&B roads. Many students who study in the district take this road for commuting to Visakhapatnam, Anakapalli, Sabbavaram & Vizianagaram towns. Widening of this road assumes critical importance as it benefits more than 500 villages & one lakh people. There is a great need to widen the narrow road as many fatal accidents are taking place. I, therefore, request the Hon'ble Minister of Road Transport and Highways to take up the improvement work of this road under Central Road and Infrastructure Funds scheme.