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Title: Need to re-align National Highway No. 5 by acquisition of land on western side of Kaza village in Guntur Parliamentary Constituency, Andhra Pradesh.

SHRI RAYAPATI SAMBASIVA RAO (GUNTUR): There is a need to take steps for re-alignment of NH-5 with a width of 78 Mts by acquisition of land on western side of the Kaza Village in my Guntur Parliamentary Constituency, Andhra Pradesh.

During the visit of the undersigned the local people have proposed that there is a dire need for the re-alignment of NH-5 at Kaza village on Vijayawada - Chennai section of Andhra Pradesh, by acquiring the land on the western side of the road instead of eastern side as the existing proposal for acquisition of land for expansion of NH-5 will adversely affect the dwellings of the villagers. Land /sites on the eastern side of the NH5 at Kaza village and owned by small and marginal farmers. There is a temple of Sri Narayana Teerdha, the ancient musician and devotee of Sri Krishna. If the acquisition takes place, the ancient nature and the existing culture of the village will be ruined. Temple of Goddess Kanaka Durga will also be uprooted which will definitely hurt the sentiments of all the Hindus.

On the other hand, the western side of NH-5 is with Government which is a vacant land. There are a few encroachments in that land by way of hutments. The encroachments can be evicted and compensated by providing dwelling units under the IAY. Comparatively, there will be a heavy decrease in payment of compensation etc., also if the western side lands are acquired. The Road will also be formed in a straight line by correcting the existing curve at this point between KM 420/500 and 422/500 (between Toll Gate and Murugan Hotel).

Since the work has not yet been started, it is the need of the hour to kindly arrange to re-align the road towards west side between KM 420/500 and 422/500 i.e, from Toll gate to Murugan Hotel, with a width of 78 Mtrs. (39 Mtrs. on each side).

I, therefore, request the Hon'ble Minister for Road Transport Highways to kindly consider the revised proposal positively in the interests of the local people to acquire the land on the western side which is vacant by making re-alignment of the road for extension of the present NH-5 between Guntur - Vijayawada in Andhra Pradesh.