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Title: Need to construct over bridges on N.H.7 at Attayampatti road junction and Rasipuram ATC depot junction in Tamil Nadu.

SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM (NAMAKKAL): NH-7 is the prime Highway from north to south corridor linking Kanyakumari and Kashmir and it is the longest National Highway in India. The plan for four laning of National highway from Namakkal to Salem was framed by the National Highways Authority on Build Operate Transfer (BOT) basis.

I would like to draw the attention of the Government towards the dire need to take immediate steps to construct over bridges on NH-7, one at Attayampatti road Junction and another at Rasipuram ATC Depot Junction.

Due to non-construction of bridges, major accidents are occurring on daily basis in these two junctions. So far about 200 people have died and more than 1000 people injured due to accidents in these junctions. The issue was raised many times by public to take necessary steps to construct over bridges at Attayampatti road junction and Rasipuram ATC Depot Junction. But no steps have been taken by the National Highways Authority.

There is heavy traffic at these two Junctions and the locations are accident prone due to uncontrolled speed of vehicles. The local people are agitated over this recurring incidents of accidents.

Hence, I request the Hon'ble Minister for Road Transport and Highways to take up project on an urgent basis.