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Title: Regarding four laning of National Highway No. 209 in Tamil Nadu.

SHRI C. MAHENDRAN (POLLACHI): Respected Chairperson, I humbly submit my thanks to the Tamil Nadu Chief Minister, my God, hon. *Puratchi Thalaivi* Amma for having given me an opportunity to be a parliamentarian in this hon. House.

My issue is about the implementation of four-laning of NH 209 from Dindigul to Mysore sector. The NH 209 project road starts from Dindigul and ends at Tamil Nadu – Karnataka border, covering a length of nearly 268 kms. The project is divided into two packages, one from Dindigul to Coimbatore covering 149 kms. and the rest from Coimbatore to Karnataka border covering three major districts of Tamil Nadu, Dindigul, Tirupur and Coimbatore.

The project road passes through major built-up areas, vide Oddanchatram, Chatrapatti, Palani, Madathukulam, Udumalpet, Pollachi and Kilathukadavu. Out of this, a major area comes under Pollachi constituency.

Madam, let me now tell the House about the present status of the project. The Final Feasibility Report is to be submitted by the consultant to NHA as per the meeting held on 16.7.2014 at NHA, Chennai. The project NH -209 will be taken up after the approval of the Final Feasibility Report by the competent authority.

To avoid heavy traffic on this NH -209, I would request the Ministry concerned to allot funds immediately as it will reduce the vehicular traffic to a large extent.

I thank once again for giving me an opportunity to the Speaker and our God, Tamil Nadu Chief Minister hon. *Puratchi Thalaivi* Amma for allowing me to make this submission in this august House.