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Title: Need for early completion of Tindivanam-Krishangiri Section of National Highway No. 66 in Tamil Nadu.

SHRI V. ELUMALAI (ARANI): The work for the development of Tindivanam-Krishnagiri section of NH-66 was awarded in August, 2011. The work was scheduled to be completed in April, 2014. But there was an inordinate delay of this project due to paucity of funds. The Hon'ble Union Minister in his reply to my letter has said the work will be completed by August, 2016.

The stretch of NH-66 between Tindivanam to Krishnagiri is an important road connecting it to Tiruvannamalai Arunachaleswarar Temple, Thiruvakkarai Vakkara kali Amman Temple, Melmalaiyanur Anglaa Parameshwari Amman Temple and the Historical Gingee Fort.

During Festivals, lakhs of devotees visit these very important Temples. They have to travel through this stretch NH-66 only. It gives nightmare to motorists and many fatal accidents occur on this stretch of NH-66.

I have requested the Union Government several times for the speedy completion of this project. Even the work done so far is not up to mark.

Therefore, I once again request the Hon'ble Minister to look into this issue seriously and take necessary measures to complete the work at the earliest.