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Thiru Nitin Gadkari, Hon'ble Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways

called on Thiru Banwarilal Purohit, Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu at Raj Bhavan,

Chennai, today (23.11.2017).

Hon'ble Governor invited the attention of Thiru Nitin Gadkari, who is also holding

the portfolio of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, about the

demand of the Government of Tamil Nadu to implement the interlinking of the Peninsular

Rivers Mahanadhi - Godavari - Krishna - Pennar - Palar - Cauvery - Vaigai and further

link with the Gundar River and also to divert surplus waters of the west flowing Pamba

and Achankovil Rivers to Vaippar in Tamil Nadu and requested for an early decision in

the matter. Hon'ble Governor also brought to the notice of Hon'ble Union Minister about

the request of the State Government for speedy approval of the Avinashi - Athikadavu

scheme.

These topics were earlier brought to the notice of Governor by the State

Government and the Hon'ble Governor highlighted them at the Conference of Governors

held at Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi recently. The Governor also furnished a copy of

the Note on the above subjects to the Hon'ble Union Minister.

Thiru Nitin Gadkari, informed that for taking up Highways and Ports projects in

Tamil Nadu the Union Government is going to sanction Rs. One lakh crore shortly.

Thiru Pon. Radhakrishnan, Union Minister of State for Finance and Shipping also

accompanied the Hon'ble Union Minister Thiru Nitin Gadkari.

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Principal Secretary to Governor