- (a) whether it has been decided to implement the scheme of providing smart card to the users of Delhi-Gurgaon Express highway in order to rid them of delay in travel;
 - (b) if so, the details of the scheme; and
 - (c) by when it would be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI SARVEY SATHYANARAYANA): (a) to (c) A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed on 18/09/2012 between the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) and the Concessionaire, Messers Jaypee-DSC Ventures Limited (subsequently renamed as Delhi Gurgaon Super Connectivity Limited), in the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi. The Concessionaire has agreed to implement a cheaper Touch Card Technology at its own cost to minimize cash transactions at toll booths within four (4) months from the date of MoU. The Touch card shall be issued to the commuters at a minimal price to be decided by NHAI/Independent Consultant (IC) for the project, so that it is being charged only to act as a deterrent for the commuters against misusing the card issues.

Target for development of expressway in the country

2785. SHRI Y. S. CHOWDARY: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has fixed any target for development of expressways for the year 2012-13;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) the details of target achieved till date by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI SARVEY SATHYANARAYANA): (a) No, Sir.

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Does not arise.

Constitution of Expert Committee to study diverse safety issue

2786. SHRI M.P. ACHUTHAN: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state: