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Dr. D. Veerendra Heggade Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Shree Kshetra Dharmasthala D.K- 574216.

Respected Sir,

Sub: Intervention towards completion of four laning of National Highway 75 and strengthening of NH 275.

On behalf of Kanara Chamber of Commerce and Industry and entire EXIM trade bodies located in Dakshina Kannada and hinterland of New Mangalore Port, we extend our warm season's greetings to you.

At the outset, we congratulate you for being the Rajya Sabha member of the Parliament. Since we represent the entire trade fraternity, we are expected to work towards the betterment of the entire region, stakeholders involved in cruise tourism, development of pilgrimage centres, Industries, etc. To enable regional development, robust road connectivity is of prime importance. Development of rapid transport facilities connecting various trade hubs and tourism centres contribute immensely towards the growth of the districts. Hence four laning of Mangaluru to Bengaluru and Mani to Mysuru is very critical in terms of the economic development of this region.

However, we would like to draw your kind attention that these projects which are sanctioned and despite being in final execution stages are still not being completed due to various hindrances. This has seriously hampered the connectivity due to delayed completion and since the past 5-6 years there are frequent landslides in the Ghat sections of Shiradi and Sampaje which routinely disrupts free movement of passenger and goods completely.

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Our Hon'ble Prime Minister has laid a vision to develop India into a USD 5 trillion dollar economy. Karnataka should have critical contribution in this vision. All our economic activities are currently centered around Bengaluru which is not sustainable. New Mangaluru Port is the gateway of Karnataka being the only Major Port in Karnataka. The Chennai-Bengaluru Industrial Corridor (CBIC) would benefit Hosur Region and Anantapur Region more than Karnataka. We need an industrial corridor which run thru the Karnataka. Unless our interior part of Karnataka have proper connectivity, the economic progress of Karnataka would be at jeopardy. Non development of required connectivity would impair the progress of both coastal and hinterland regions of the state. We would also lose the competitiveness at the International Market and the domestic consumers would have pay higher prices for these goods as compared to other parts of India.

Sir, you being the Hon'ble representative of ours, we have a lot of hope that you would personally intervene and strive to develop the road connectivity. Therefore we earnestly request your attention to personally take up with the government of India, Ministry of Road, Transport & highways for giving highest priority towards the early completion of the following projects for ensuring seamless connectivity.

a. Four laning of NH 75 stretches as below:

- 1. Hassan- Sakleshpur Donigal Maranahalli.
- 2. Maranahalli Addahole Ghat road section (Currently most critical point).
- 3. Addahole B. C. Road.

Four laning of NH 275: Mani - Madikeri - Kushalnagar - Mysuru -Nanjangud.

KCCI had also briefed the Hon'ble Minister for Road Transport and Highways, Shri Nitin Gadkari during his address to our members in Mangaluru on Feb 28, 2022.

Prayer

1. We request you to expedite these projects cited above which are essential for the economic development of the district and also for the general public.

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2. Your personal intervention on this matter to impress upon the governments in speeding up the road development work will have great impact on the development trade and commerce and also tourism.

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Please find enclosed road map sketches of NH 75, status of projects and Bengaluru - Mangaluru corridor (NH -75) [Annexure A].

Also find enclosed our earlier representations to the state and central governments on the above subject. [Annexure B].

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully, For KANARA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

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Enclosed:

- 1. Annexure A Road Map sketches of NH75.
- 2. Annexure B Our previous letters on this subject.

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