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To

Shri. Devaprasad Sahoo
The Project Director,
NHAI,
Trivandrum

Dear Sir,

Sub: - Non requirement of Vehicle Underpass (VUP) Opposite the KSRTC Swift Bus Terminal adjacent the World Market Service Road-reg.

We understand that a Vehicle Underpass (VUP) is about to be constructed adjacent to the Service Road right opposite the KSRTC Swift Terminal which was never visualised earlier after the landing of the flyover.

We fail to understand when we have pressing issues at the Enchakkal and Thiruvallam Junctions, what is the requirement to have a VUP at this point without carrying out proper Traffic and Feasibility studies. There was no public demand either. What prompted NHAI to have a VUP here that will lead to chaos on both the narrow Service Roads on either side that can be justified?

As you are well aware, the very moment the VUP is constructed, the traffic to the developing and busy Veli Railway Station, Karikakkom Temple, KIMS Hospital, World Market, Lulu, O Tamara Hotel and other establishments on the opposite Service Road will have to take the diversion from the Lords Hospital diversion to the Service Road. This heavy vehicle density is beyond the carrying capacity of this narrow Service Road, especially when you already have a VUP at Venpalavattom and after the Lulu Mall.

You are requested to kindly put on hold the construction immediately and do a proper study of the ground reality including the proposed alignment of that Metro through this stretch, before embarking on such non-productive Project.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,
For TCCI

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