

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
RAJYA SABHA
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ACCIDENTS ON NHS CAUSED BY MOVEMENT OF WILD ANIMALS

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SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:
SHRIMATI CHHAYA VERMA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether accidents are taking place due to movement of wild and abandoned animals on the National Highways (NHs), which causes untimely death of animals as well as human beings;
- (b) the details of the accidents which have taken place on NHs, caused by movement of such animals;
- (c) whether the dead bodies of such animals keep on lying at NHs and body parts are scattered around on the roads or getting crushed under the vehicles; and
- (d) the details of steps taken to remove dead bodies of such animals from the NHs?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) & (b) As per information received from Police departments of all States/UTs, the total number of accidents and persons killed due to stray animals on road during the last two calendar years i.e. 2016 to 2018 are shown in the table given below: -

Years	Accidents on all roads including NHs due to animals	Human death on all roads including NHs due to animals
2016	1,604	629
2017	3,611	1,360
2018	5,902	2,267

(c) & (d) Adequate mitigation measures such as construction of cattle underpass are mainstreamed in the project design so that accident due to animals could be avoided.
