# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 1521 ANSWERED ON- 02/08/2023

### **ROAD SAFETY FROM CATTLES**

#### 1521. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR GUPTA:

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

- (a) whether Government has drawn any plan to prevent cattle from crossing the road/National Highways as it causes dangerous accidents which result in loss of human as well as animal lives; and
- (b) if so, the details in this regard?

#### **ANSWER**

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

(a) & (b) Control of access including that of cattle/animals onto National Highways is generally kept in place for Expressways and other Access Controlled National Highways but not on other National Highways as the same is not feasible on the entire NH network. Cattle/Animal underpasses are also provided on NHs as per specific requirements especially in the Forest/Wildlife areas as per the relevant provisions of latest Indian Road Congress (IRC) Codes/Manuals including IRC-SP-73 and IRC-SP-84. However, Animal/Cattle are discouraged from entering the Highways through measures like adequate height of embankment, road side drains and plantation in the median/ROW edges which discourage animals.

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