

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2492
ANSWERED ON 16TH MARCH, 2017

REMOVAL OF LIQUOR SHOPS ON NHS

2492. SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:
SHRI LAXMI NARAYAN YADAV:
SHRI P. NAGARAJAN:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
सडक परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Supreme Court has directed to remove liquor-shops operating on National and State Highways;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the total number of liquor shops shut down on NHs as on date, State-wise;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government on the direction of amending State excise laws in this regard; and
- (d) the outcome thereof?

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) Yes Madam.

(b) to (d) Data on liquor shops is not compiled in this Ministry and licensing of liquor shops is covered under Excise Policy of the States. However, in the wake of increasing number deaths due to drunken driving, Chief Secretaries / Principal Secretaries/Secretaries (Transport) of all states/UTs have been requested to ensure that no license is issued to liquor vendors along national highway.
