GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1131 ANSWERED ON 21stDECEMBER, 2017

DRUNK-DRIVER ACCIDENTS

1131. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

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SHRI INNOCENT:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether increase in the number of road accidents due to drunk driving has been reported from various States of the country;

(b) if so, the details of road accidents due to drunk driving reported during the last three years and the current year, State/ UT-wise; and

(c) the steps taken or being taken by the Government to check drunk driving?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)

(a) to (b) As per the information received from police department of States/UTs, the number of road accidents due to intake of alcohol by drivers during last three years is as under:-

Year	Road Accidents due to	Total number of Road	
	Intake of Alcohol	Accidents	
2014	18,916	4,89,400	
2015	16,298	5,01,423	
2016	14,894	4,80,652	

State/UT-wise total number of road accidents due to intake of alcohol during the calendar years 2014 to 2016 is at Annexure.

(c) Following steps have been initiated by the Government to curbthe number of road accidents caused by drunken driving: -

(i) Section 185 of Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 provides for punishment of imprisonment or fine or both for the offence of drunken driving cases.

(ii) Allthe State Government/UTs have been requested to ensure that no license is issued to liquor vendors along National Highways. Further they have also been requested to review

cases where licence has already been given for liquor vendors along National Highways and to take corrective action.

(iii) Ministry undertakes campaigns through print and electronic media to spread awareness about dangers of drunken driving.

(iv) Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill 2017, which has been introduced in the House by Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, provides for enhanced fines for the offence of drunken driving and other traffic violations.

(v)Enforcement of various provisions of Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 is the responsibility of State Governments. This Ministry has issued instructions to all State Governments to invoke Section 185 of Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 which provides for punishment of imprisonment or fine or both for the offence of drunken driving.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1131 FOR ANSWER ON 21-12-2017 ASKED BY SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL: ,SHRI M. I. SHANAVAS:, SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:,SHRI INNOCENT REGARDING **DRUNK-DRIVER ACCIDENTS**

S.No	State/UTs	2014	2015	2016
1	2	4	5	6
1	Andhra Pradesh	594	490	128
2	Arunachal Pradesh	11	22	15
3	Assam	613	611	352
4	Bihar	1680	1457	593
5	Chhattisgarh	335	227	145
6	Goa	9	6	
7	Gujarat	42	361	64
8	Haryana	1095	1092	52
9	Himachal Pradesh	74	50	72
10	Jammu & Kashmir	388	375	4'
11	Jharkhand	611	1518	54.
12	Karnataka	2207	298	39
13	Kerala	35	49	13
14	Madhya Pradesh	3540	2665	308
15	Maharashtra	1251	1345	22
16	Manipur	0	0	7
17	Meghalaya	25	137	3
18	Mizoram	16	15	2
19	Nagaland	91	2	1
20	Orissa	637	972	125
21	Punjab	442	118	31
22	Rajasthan	915	667	67
23	Sikkim	8	30	1
24	Tamil Nadu	1416	818	53
25	Telangana	968	42	20
26	Tripura	12	13	
27	Uttarakhand	508	6	4
28	Uttar Pradesh	1232	2403	463
29	West Bengal	0	413	46
30	A & N Islands	25	30	2
31	Chandigarh	11	8	
32	D & N Haveli	1	6	
33	Daman & Diu	0	7	
34	Delhi	51	40	16
35	Lakshadweep	0	0	
36	Puducherry	73	5	8
	Total	18,916	16,298	14,89

ROAD ACCIDENTS DUE TO INTAKE OF ALCOHOL BY DRIVERS