

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS

**LOK SABHA**  
**STARRED QUESTION NO. 322**  
ANSWERED ON 9<sup>th</sup> AUGUST, 2018

**POTHOLE FATALITIES**

\*322. SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G.:  
SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the report that potholes in the country take 10 lives every day with 3,597 fatalities in 2017;
- (b) if so, the details thereof for the last three years, year and State-wise;
- (c) whether the Supreme Court (SC) has taken a serious view in the matter and asked the SC monitoring committee on road safety to submit a report immediately on the issue and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether sufficient amount as compensation is being paid to the victims and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the corrective steps taken or being taken by the Government in consultation with States to avoid pothole fatalities?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

- (a) to (e) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. \*322 ANSWERED ON 09.08.2018 ASKED BY “SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G. : SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI.” REGARDING “POTHOLE FATALITIES”.**

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- (a) As per the information received from police department of all States/UTs, 3597 persons were killed due to potholes on roads during the calendar year 2017.
- (b) The details of State/UTs wise persons killed for the last three years i.e. 2015, 2016 and 2017 due to potholes on roads are placed at Annexure –I-III.
- ( c ) Yes, the Hon’ble Supreme Court vide order dated 20<sup>th</sup> July,2018 has asked the Supreme Court Committee on Road Safety to look into the matter at the earliest and give a report in this regard including determining the quantum of compensation.
- (d) Compensation is paid to the victims in accordance with the provisions of Chapter X and XI of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988.
- (e) The National Highways under control of National Highways of Authority of India require the filling of potholes by contractor/ concessionaire within specified time limit during concession period/maintenance period. Ministry also allocates funds to various State Governments for carrying out maintenance of National Highways including filling of potholes, so as to keep the stretch in traffic worthy conditions.

## Annexure-I

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. \*322 ANSWERED ON 09/08/2018 ASKED BY ASKED BY "SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G. : SHRI ASADUDDIN OWASI:" REGARDING "POTHOLE FATALITIES".**

### Accidents , persons killed & Injured due to potholes during the calendar year 2015.

Sl. No	States/UTs	Number of Accidents	Persons Killed	Persons Injured
1	Andhra Pradesh	279	103	396
2	Arunachal Pradesh	34	17	40
3	Assam	24	12	33
4	Bihar	402	228	308
5	Chhattisgarh	257	97	229
6	Goa	17	1	3
7	Gujarat	584	167	549
8	Haryana	25	9	19
9	Himachal Pradesh	0	0	0
10	Jammu & Kashmir	48	14	62
11	Jharkhand	49	21	43
12	Karnataka	182	38	176
13	Kerala	531	53	592
14	Madhya Pradesh	3070	420	2810
15	Maharashtra	1867	812	1694
16	Manipur	31	4	59
17	Meghalaya	0	0	0
18	Mizoram	0	0	0
19	Nagaland	0	0	0
20	Orissa	69	24	92
21	Punjab	246	177	208
22	Rajasthan	319	108	308
23	Sikkim	0	0	0
24	Tamil Nadu	1112	120	1236
25	Telangana	138	59	130
26	Tripura	0	0	0
27	Uttarakhand	0	0	0
28	Uttar Pradesh	1196	679	656
29	West Bengal	362	251	410
30	A & N Islands	0	0	0
31	Chandigarh	NR	NR	NR
32	D & N Haveli	0	0	0
33	Daman & Diu	0	0	0
34	Delhi	14	2	12
35	Lakshadweep	0	0	0
36	Puducherry	20	0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>10876</b>	<b>3416</b>	<b>10065</b>

**ANNEXURE-II**

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**Accidents , persons killed & Injured due to potholes during the calendar year 2016**

S.No	States/UTs	Number of Accidents	Persons Killed	Persons Injured
1	Andhra Pradesh	280	131	292
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0
3	Assam	43	8	52
4	Bihar	200	119	177
5	Chhattisgarh	28	6	26
6	Goa	1	0	3
7	Gujarat	306	120	359
8	Haryana	0	0	0
9	Himachal Pradesh	0	0	0
10	Jammu & Kashmir	8	0	6
11	Jharkhand	200	127	211
12	Karnataka	185	37	252
13	Kerala	536	54	597
14	Madhya Pradesh	609	81	749
15	Maharashtra	1064	329	790
16	Manipur	20	2	35
17	Meghalaya	0	0	0
18	Mizoram	1	1	0
19	Nagaland	0	0	0
20	Orissa	226	208	397
21	Punjab	22	11	32
22	Rajasthan	282	106	302
23	Sikkim	0	0	0
24	Tamil Nadu	621	130	717
25	Telangana	4	3	5
26	Tripura	0	0	0
27	Uttarakhand	28	13	14
28	Uttar Pradesh	1436	714	1086
29	West Bengal	319	122	201
30	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	5	0	7
31	Chandigarh	0	0	0
32	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0	2	0
33	Daman & Diu	0	0	0
34	Delhi	0	0	0
35	Lakshadweep	0	0	0
36	Puducherry	0	0	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>6424</b>	<b>2324</b>	<b>6310</b>

**ANNEXURE-III**

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**Accidents , persons killed & Injured due to potholes during the calendar year 2017**

S.No	States/UTs	Number of Accidents	Persons Killed	Persons Injured
1	Andhra Pradesh	288	108	316
2	Arunachal Pradesh	12	7	31
3	Assam	196	53	186
4	Bihar	208	116	160
5	Chhattisgarh	76	31	58
6	Goa	0	0	0
7	Gujarat	552	228	545
8	Haryana	465	522	490
9	Himachal Pradesh	19	10	19
10	Jammu & Kashmir	0	0	0
11	Jharkhand	118	64	94
12	Karnataka	178	47	223
13	Kerala	522	52	779
14	Madhya Pradesh	1012	141	1018
15	Maharashtra	2370	726	2213
16	Manipur	3	0	5
17	Meghalaya	12	5	6
18	Mizoram	0	0	0
19	Nagaland	61	3	27
20	Orissa	150	73	160
21	Punjab	334	162	185
22	Rajasthan	93	37	81
23	Sikkim	0	0	0
24	Tamil Nadu	627	173	669
25	Telangana	33	5	38
26	Tripura	0	0	0
27	Uttarakhand	48	27	15
28	Uttar Pradesh	1986	987	1419
29	West Bengal	17	10	13
30	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	0	0	0
31	Chandigarh	4	2	4
32	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0	0	0
33	Daman & Diu	0	0	0
34	Delhi	39	8	38
35	Lakshadweep	0	0	0
36	Puducherry	0	0	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>9423</b>	<b>3597</b>	<b>8792</b>

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