# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS LOK SABHA

## UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2633 ANSWERED ON 27th DECEMBER, 2018

#### PRIORITY OF ROAD SAFETY

2633. SHRI RADHESHYAM BISWAS:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has reduced the priority of road safety in the country including Assam by ignoring reasonable road safety suggestions from different noted organisations;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether some NGOs are involved in the field of road-safety as a group of external stakeholders of National Highways Authority of India;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the work taken by these NGOs and the funds allocated and released to these NGOs for the last three years and the current year?

#### **ANSWER**

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

(a) & (b) No, Madam. Ministry of Road Transport & Highways regularly holds consultations from time to time with NHAI, different stakeholders including Non – Governmental Organization (NGO) to improve the road safety in the country. NHAI officials are regularly attending the District Road Safety Committee meetings and State Road Safety Council meetings and safety issues related to NHAI as discussed during the meetings are being attended by the NHAI field offices across the whole country including Assam. The representative of different stake holders have also been made Non-Official Members of the National Road Safety Committee, constituted as the apex body to take policy decisions in matters of road safety in pursuance of Section 215 of Motor Vehicle Act. 1988.

- (c) & (d) Some of the NGOs who have been involved in various road safety activities of NHAI viz. free eye check up camp, road safety awareness campaign etc. during the Road Safety Week in various parts of the country are given below:-
  - · Varalaxmi Foundations
  - · Rural Peoples Welfare Organization
  - · Rotary Club and Red Cross Society
  - · Vivekananda Kendra
  - · Nashik First
  - · L.V. Prasad Eye Institute
  - · Vasan Eye Care
- (e) No funds has been released by this Ministry to any NGO for Road Safety activites during the last three years and the current year till date.

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