GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 708

ANSWERED ON 7th FEBRUARY, 2019

NATIONAL HIGHWAYS ACCIDENTS RELIEF SERVICE SCHEME

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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has received requests from the States/UTs to provide cranes and ambulances under 'National Highways Accidents Relief Service Scheme' during the last three years and current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the number of cranes and ambulances provided to the States/UTs during the said period;
- (c) whether the Union Government propose to launch a Trauma Attendant Mobile Vehicle/Two Wheeler Vehicle Service with the name of 'First Respond' to provide an emergency medical care to the victims of road accidents in the entire country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which these facilities are likely to be provided?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): The National Highways Accidents Relief Service Scheme was implemented by the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways during the 12th Five Year Plan period. Under the scheme the Ministry provided financial assistance to States/UTs for procurement of ambulances/ cranes. During the FY 2015-16, Ministry has provided financial assistance to the following State government for procurement of Basic Life Supports Ambulances (BLSA):-

Sl. No.	State	No. of BLSA
1	Jammu and Kashmir	136
2	Sikkim	31
3	Mizoram	05

(c) & (d) The Government has launched a mobile app for highway users i.e. "SukhadYatra 1033" which enables highways users to report safety hazards on National Highways including accidents. GPS enabled ambulances connected with a central control room through a toll-free number 1033, are stationed to transport the injured to the hospitals for treatment within the 'Golden Hour'. As part of incident management under operation and maintenance of the NH stretches, Highway Ambulances are deployed in their respective service area to extend assistance in case of any emergency on National Highways.
