

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4234**  
ANSWERED ON 19<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2020

**SAFETY OF PEDESTRIANS**

4234. SHRI S. MUNISWAMY:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) the measures taken by the Government to ensure the safety of pedestrians on roads;
- (b) whether the Government is planning to conduct any awareness programme in this regard; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

**(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)**

(a) to (c) The rights of motorist and pedestrians are defined in the Rules of Road Regulation, 1989. As per these rules, pedestrians have the right of way at uncontrolled zebra crossings and violation by motorists would attract penalty under section 177 of Motor Vehicles Act, 1988. The various Police Acts and the Rules and Regulations made there under also contain provisions to regulate traffic of all kinds in streets and public places, including pedestrian traffic.

The provisions of PUPs, CUPs, Footpath, Foot over Bridge & other pedestrian facilities & other grade separated structures etc. are integral part of the design of development projects keeping in view the site requirement and as per provisions given in IRC: SP-73:2018- “Manual of Specifications & Standards for Two Lanning of Highways with Paved Shoulders”, IRC: SP-84-2014- “Manual for Specifications & Standards for Four Lanning of Highways Through Public Private Partnership” IRC:SP-87-2013- “Manual of Specification & Standards for Six Lanning of Highways through Public Private Partnership”. Further IRC has also published the IRC: 103-2012 for “Guidelines for pedestrian facilities”.

The Ministry implements a scheme for undertaking publicity measures and awareness campaigns on road safety to create awareness among road users through the electronic media, print media, NGOs etc. Besides, National Road Safety Week is observed every calendar year for spreading awareness and strengthening road safety.

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