GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3752 ANSWERED ON 18TH MARCH, 2021

ROAD ACCIDENTS

3752. SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a drastic decline has been noticed in the number of road accidents during the year 2020 and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the nationwide lockdown was one of the reasons for the said decline and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is considering any action towards further reduction in the number of road accidents in the coming years; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

- (a) & (b) As per the data received from police department of all States/UTs, month-wise details of the total number of road accidents & persons killed on all roads in the country for the calendar years 2019 & 2020 is enclosed at Annexure-1.
- (c) & (d) The Ministry has formulated a multi-pronged strategy to address the issue of road safety based on Education, Engineering

(both of roads and vehicles), Enforcement and Emergency Care. Accordingly, various initiatives have been taken by the Ministry as detailed below:-

(i) Education:

- > 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.
- Observance of National Road Safety Week every year for spreading awareness and strengthening road safety.
- > A Certification Course for Road Safety Auditors has been commenced in Indian Academy of Highway Engineers (IAHE).

(ii) Engineering (both of Roads and vehicles)

> Road engineering

- High priority to identification and rectification of black spots (accident prone spots) on national highways.
- Road safety has been made an integral part of road design at planning stage.
- The threshold for four laning of National Highways have been reduced from 15,000 Passenger Car Units (PCUs) to 10,000 PCUs.
- Ministry has delegated powers to Regional Officers of MORTH for technical approval to the detailed estimates for rectification of identified Road Accident black spots.
- Guidelines for pedestrian facilities on National Highways for persons with disabilities have also been issued to all States / UTs.

Vehicle engineering:

- Safety standards for automobiles have been improved.
- Ministry has notified fitment of Speed Limiting devices on all transport vehicles
- Scheme for setting up one model Inspection & Certification Centre in each State/UT with Central assistance for testing the fitness of vehicles through an automated system.

(iii) Enforcement

- The recently passed The Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Act, 2019 provides for strict enforcement through use of technology and further provides for strict penalties for ensuring strict compliance and enhancing deterrence for violation of traffic rules.
- Rules for protection of Good Samaritans as per the Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Act, 2019 have been published.

(iv) Emergency care:

- The Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Act, 2019 provides for a scheme for the cashless treatment of victims of the accident during the golden hour.
- > The National Highways Authority of India has also deployed 550 ambulances at toll plazas on the completed corridor of National Highways.
- > Out of 550 ambulances, 171 ambulances have been upgraded to Basic Life Support as per AIS-125.

The Ministry of Road Transport & Highways has notified "Member of Parliaments' Road Safety Committee" in each district of the country to promote awareness amongst road users under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha) from the district.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (A) & (B) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3752 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18TH MARCH, 2021 ASKED BY SHRI V.K.SREEKANDAN REGARDING "ROAD ACCIDENTS".

Sl. No.	States/UTS	Data for 2020 furnished	State/UT-Wise Total Number of Road Accidents during Jan - December		State/UT-Wise Total Number of Persons Killed in Road Accidents during Jan - December		Reduction in the months of December 2020 w.r.t corresponding period of 2019	
		till	2019	2020*	2019	2020*	%age decrease in Road Accidents	%age decrease in Persons Killed
1	Andhra Pradesh	September	16492	13228	6142	4880	-19.79	-20.55
2	Arunachal Pradesh	December	237	134	127	73	-43.46	-42.52
3	Assam	December	8350	6593	3208	2629	-21.04	-18.05
4	Bihar	October	8325	6830	5988	5277	-17.96	-11.87
5	Chhattisgarh	December	13899	11659	5003	4605	-16.12	-7.96
6	Goa	December	3440	2375	297	223	-30.96	-24.92
7	Gujarat	December	17046	13365	7390	6141	-21.59	-16.90
8	Haryana	September	8140	6476	3744	3031	-20.44	-19.04
9	Himachal Pradesh	December	2873	2239	1146	890	-22.07	-22.34
10	Jammu & Kashmir	December	5796	4860	996	728	-16.15	-26.91
11	Jharkhand	October	4397	3470	3188	2296	-21.08	-27.98
12	Karnataka	December	40658	34173	10958	9373	-15.95	-14.46
13	Kerala	November	37546	24975	4080	2597	-33.48	-36.35
14	Madhya Pradesh	September	38706	31663	8555	7502	-18.20	-12.31
15	Maharashtra	September	25072	17142	9694	7682	-31.63	-20.76
16	Manipur	November	597	389	135	110	-34.84	-18.52
17	Meghalaya	December	482	224	179	139	-53.53	-22.35
18	Mizoram	December	62	71	48	37	14.52	-22.92
19	Nagaland	December	358	500	26	53	39.66	103.85
20	Odisha	October	9080	7621	4464	3636	-16.07	-18.55
21	Punjab	December	6348	5194	4525	3866	-18.18	-14.56
22	Rajasthan	December	23480	19114	10563	9250	-18.59	-12.43
23	Sikkim	December	162	138	73	47	-14.81	-35.62
24	Tamil Nadu	December	57228	45489	10525	8060	-20.51	-23.42
25	Telangana	September	16044	13166	5224	4598	-17.94	-11.98
26	Tripura	October	535	368	190	157	-31.21	-17.37
27	Uttarakhand	December	1352	1041	867	674	-23.00	-22.26
28	Uttar Pradesh	December	42572	34243	22655	19149	-19.56	-15.48
29	West Bengal	December	10158	9182	5500	4926	-9.61	-10.44
30	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	December	230	141	20	12	-38.70	-40.00
31	Chandigarh	December	305	159	104	52	-47.87	-50.00
32	Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu (Merged)	December	68	101	49	64	48.53	30.61

33	Delhi	December	5610	4178	1463	1196	-25.53	-18.25
34	Lakshadweep	December	1	1	0	0	0.00	
35	Puducherry	December	1392	969	147	145	-30.39	-1.36
Total			407041	321471	137273	114098	-21.02	-16.88

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14	Sikkim	December	162	138	73	47	-14.81	-35.62
15	Tamil Nadu	December	57228	45489	10525	8060	-20.51	-23.42
16	Telangana	December	21570	19172	6964	6882	-11.12	-1.18
17	Tripura	December	655	466	239	192	-28.85	-19.67
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	Total of 26 state	es	264332	215781	93072	79406	-18.37	-14.68
34	Kerala	November	37546	24975	4080	2597	-33.48	-36.35
35	Manipur	November	597	389	135	110	-34.84	-18.52
	Total of 2 States	s	38143	25364	4215	2707	-33.50	-35.78
30	Bihar	October	8325	6830	5988	5277	-17.96	-11.87
31	Jharkhand	October	4397	3470	3188	2296	-21.08	-27.98

32	Odisha	October	9080	7621	4464	3636	-16.07	-18.55
	Total of 3 States			17921	13640	11209	-17.80	-17.82
25	Andhra Pradesh	September	16492	13228	6142	4880	-19.79	-20.55
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	Total of 4 States		88410	68509	28135	23095	-22.51	-17.91
	Total All India			327575	139062	116417	-20.62	-16.28
