

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4902
ANSWERED ON 25TH MARCH, 2021**

BLACK SPOTS ON NHS

4902. SHRIMATI RANJANBEN DHANANJAY BHATT:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to take steps to address the issues of pits, defects, black spots and other hurdles on highways; and
(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) Yes, Sir

(b) Creation and rectification of pits, defects and black spots on National Highways is a continuous process. Ministry takes prompt actions through its implementing agencies i.e. NHAI, NHIDCL and NH wing of State PWDs. Based on the accident data received from states, Transport Research Wing (TRW) of this Ministry identifies vulnerable/fatality locations as Black Spots. Ministry has taken following steps to rectify all Black Spots in a time bound manner through its implementing agencies i.e. NHAI, NHIDCL and NH wings of State PWDs:-

- i) **To carry out all stage (Design, construction, operation) road safety audits for all National Highways;**
- ii) **Provision of rumble strips or bar markings at the approaches of the major junctions on NHs;**
- iii) **Provision of Speed limit signs at desired locations of NHs network;**
- iv) **Provision of speed breakers and associated signage on side roads;**
- v) **Provision of amber beacons for traffic approaching a junction or mid-block median opening of NHs;**
- vi) **Installation of crash barriers on high embankments and in hilly terrains;**
- vii) **Encouraging Engineers for certificate course in Road Safety Audit for which MOUs are signed with IITs and other leading technical education/research institutions;**
- viii) **Developed a Blackspot MIS portal where details of all blackspots, ids, photographs, rectification status and post rectification feedback shall be collected and monitored.**
