GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5022 ANSWERED ON 25TH MARCH, 2021

ROAD ACCIDENTS INVOLVING TWO-WHEELERS

5022. SHRI BENNY BEHANAN:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been a rise in the number of road accidents and resultant deaths of two-wheeler riders in the country including Kerala during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the total number of such deaths in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has decided to set up highway interceptor squads for National Highways to check and prevent the same;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the other steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

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 the total number of deaths and accidents of two wheeler

| riders in India | a (by | type | of | impacting | vehicles) | is | given | in | the | table |
|-----------------|-------|------|----|-----------|-----------|----|-------|----|-----|-------|
| below: | | | | | | | | | | |

| Years | Total Road Accidents in India | Accidents involving two wheelers in India | Share of two wheelers in total road accidents in India | Total persons killed in India | Persons killed involving two wheelers | Share of two wheelers in total persons killed in India |
|-------|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|---|--|
| 2016 | 480,652 | 162280 | 33.8 | 150,785 | 44366 | 29.4 |
| 2017 | 464,910 | 157723 | 33.9 | 147,913 | 44092 | 29.8 |
| 2018 | 467,044 | 164313 | 35.2 | 151,417 | 47560 | 31.4 |
| 2019 | 4,49,002 | 167184 | 37.2 | 151,113 | 56136 | 37.1 |

Similarly deaths and accidents of two wheeler riders in term of number and % share for Kerala in the last 4 years is given in the table below:-

| Years | Total Road Accidents in Kerala | Accidents involving two wheelers in Kerala | Share in total road accidents in Kerala | Total persons killed in road accidents in Kerala | Persons killed involving two wheelers in Kerala | Share in total persons killed in Kerala |
|-------|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|---|
| 2016 | 39420 | 13218 | 33.5 | 4287 | 1293 | 30.2 |
| 2017 | 38470 | 14821 | 38.5 | 4131 | 1371 | 33.2 |
| 2018 | 40181 | 16518 | 41.1 | 4303 | 1643 | 38.2 |
| 2019 | 41111 | 16970 | 41.3 | 4440 | 2362 | 53.2 |

States/UT wise details including for Kerala regarding the total number of road accidents & persons killed of two wheeler riders (by type of impacting vehicles) during the calendar years 2016 to 2019 is given at Annexure-I.

(c) & (d) No such proposal is under consideration to set up highway interceptor squads for National Highways.

(e) 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.

The Ministry has also 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.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5022 TO BE ANSWERED ON 25th MARCH 2021 ASKED BY SHRI BENNY BEHANAN: "ROAD ACCIDENTS INVOLVING TWO-WHEELERS".

| S. No | State/Uts | 201 | 2016 | | 2017 | | 2018 | | 2019 | |
|-------|---------------------------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|--|
| | | Accident | Killed | Accident | Killed | Accident | Killed | Accident | Killed | |
| 1. | Andhra Pradesh | 7277 | 2190 | 9409 | 2343 | 8593 | 2230 | 9456 | 3352 | |
| 2. | Arunachal Pradesh | 88 | 53 | 62 | 32 | 66 | 41 | 30 | 26 | |
| 3. | Assam | 2192 | 614 | 2125 | 772 | 1958 | 808 | 2409 | 1031 | |
| 4. | Bihar | 1829 | 1011 | 2035 | 1318 | 3720 | 2717 | 4060 | 3135 | |
| 5. | Chhattisgarh | 4759 | 1256 | 4696 | 1386 | 5396 | 1608 | 6887 | 2894 | |
| 6. | Goa | 2069 | 136 | 1567 | 164 | 1700 | 120 | 1757 | 186 | |
| 7. | Gujarat | 6289 | 2200 | 6086 | 2190 | 5848 | 2364 | 6412 | 2755 | |
| 8. | Haryana | 1841 | 595 | 2528 | 1006 | 2228 | 770 | 3322 | 1614 | |
| 9. | Himachal Pradesh | 663 | 197 | 815 | 336 | 783 | 293 | 542 | 288 | |
| 10. | Jammu & Kashmir | 1048 | 145 | 1093 | 142 | 1463 | 193 | 1510 | 171 | |
| 11. | Jharkhand | 1580 | 1087 | 1718 | 1065 | 2163 | 1376 | 1235 | 1114 | |
| 12. | Karnataka | 16217 | 4119 | 15752 | 4029 | 16208 | 4352 | 15549 | 4466 | |
| 13. | Kerala | 13218 | 1293 | 14821 | 1371 | 16518 | 1643 | 16970 | 2362 | |
| 14. | Madhya Pradesh | 22503 | 3013 | 21458 | 3035 | 19966 | 3277 | 19840 | 4474 | |
| 15. | Maharashtra | 14015 | 4650 | 11869 | 4114 | 13732 | 5143 | 13330 | 5894 | |
| 16. | Manipur | 143 | 16 | 141 | 15 | 156 | 30 | 181 | 42 | |
| 17. | Meghalaya | 106 | 23 | 117 | 30 | 44 | 31 | 63 | 12 | |
| 18. | Mizoram | 17 | 13 | 10 | 11 | 7 | 8 | 14 | 11 | |
| 19. | Nagaland | 13 | 6 | 128 | 11 | 97 | 6 | 80 | 5 | |
| 20. | Odisha | 3687 | 1547 | 3886 | 1744 | 4413 | 2173 | 4688 | 2398 | |
| 21. | Punjab | 1630 | 1118 | 2375 | 1666 | 2135 | 1581 | 2833 | 1775 | |
| 22. | Rajasthan | 5736 | 2099 | 5456 | 2146 | 5406 | 2429 | 6146 | 2552 | |
| 23. | Sikkim | 8 | 3 | 24 | 10 | 20 | 6 | 0 | 0 | |
| 24. | Tamil Nadu | 27815 | 5666 | 25393 | 5322 | 26470 | 3965 | 23813 | 3537 | |
| 25. | Telangana | 8019 | 2500 | 7160 | 2244 | 6845 | 2126 | 7646 | 3017 | |
| 26. | Tripura | 118 | 43 | 144 | 36 | 177 | 78 | 165 | 89 | |
| 27. | Uttarakhand | 453 | 237 | 409 | 219 | 472 | 230 | 564 | 342 | |
| 28. | Uttar Pradesh | 11575 | 6084 | 11329 | 5805 | 12258 | 6194 | 12896 | 6931 | |
| 29. | West Bengal | 4178 | 1908 | 2346 | 1067 | 2651 | 1208 | 1844 | 1030 | |
| 30. | Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 108 | 4 | 84 | 7 | 112 | 5 | 105 | 13 | |
| 31. | Chandigarh | 71 | 29 | 41 | 14 | 54 | 22 | 124 | 46 | |
| 32. | Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 23 | 15 | 15 | 10 | 26 | 20 | 31 | 25 | |
| 33. | Daman & Diu | 23 | 14 | 33 | 17 | 26 | 14 | 26 | 11 | |
| 34. | Delhi | 2222 | 387 | 1700 | 311 | 1875 | 410 | 1919 | 490 | |
| 35. | Lakshadweep | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | |
| 36. | Puducherry | 747 | 95 | 898 | 104 | 726 | 88 | 737 | 48 | |
| | Total | 162280 | 44366 | 157723 | 44092 | 164313 | 47560 | 167184 | 56136 | |

Total Number of Road Accidents in India two wheelers: 2016 to 2019

Note: Two-Wheelers include motor cycles, scooters, mopeds & scooty.