

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1699
ANSWERED ON 29TH JULY, 2021**

TRAINING TO DRIVERS

1699. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any institutional mechanism to provide training in handling hazardous chemicals/cargo to drivers having Heavy Motor Vehicle (HMV) license;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and**
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to create a pool of skilled drivers with training in handling hazardous chemicals / cargo?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) & (b) The Ministry of Road Transport & Highways has implemented a national-wide scheme for setting up of Driving Training Institutes (DTIs) since FY 2002-03. The scheme was renamed as Institute of Driving Training & Research (IDTR) in 12th FY Plan period (2012-17) with central financial assistance of Rs.17.00 crore and land requirement of 10 acre. A new component as Regional Driving Training Centre (RDTCs) with less capacity with financial assistance of Rs. 5.00 crore and land requirement (3 acre) as Tier II in the 12th Five Year plan period was added. The financial implication of IDTR was revised from 17.00 crore to 18.50 crore during the 14th Financial cycle.

The basic objective of the scheme is to set up a full-fledged training institute with driving test track to provide quality training to commercial vehicle drivers, improve road and environment safety and strengthen overall mobility on roads. The details of main activities/programmes at these institutions are

- ***Impart Induction Training Course in Heavy Motor Vehicle Driving.***
- ***Impart Induction Training Course in Light Motor Vehicles Driving.***
- ***Conduct Training Course for Driving Instructors of Private Driving Schools.***
- ***Conduct three-days Training Course on Safe Transportation of Hazardous Goods.***
- ***Conduct one-day Refresher Training Course on Safe Transportation of Hazardous Goods.***
- ***Conduct Refresher and Orientation Training Course for Drivers who are in service.***
- ***Test and select drivers by various organisations.***

Till date, 31 IDTRs and 6 RDTCs have been sanctioned by the Ministry in different States/UTs as detailed in Annexure - I.

(c) Taking into account the continuous rise in requirement for transportation of liquid oxygen (LOX), extended period of oxygen management, addition to the inventory of cryogenic tankers and high fatigue/ attrition rate due to 24X7 operations, the Ministry issued advisory in May 2021 to States to create a pool of trained drivers for transporting “hazardous cargo”, as implementation of provisions of Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 and Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 comes under their purview.

Further, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industry on the directions of the Empowered Committee of Secretaries (EG - 2), initiated a skill development program for Liquid Medical Oxygen tanker drivers. With the help of Indian Chemical Council (ICC), Logistics Sector Skill Council (LSSC) and National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC), a detailed program for capacity building for heavy commercial drivers was also prepared.

ANNEX REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1699 ANSWERED ON 29TH JULY, 2021 ASKED BY SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE: REGARDING TRAINING TO DRIVERS.

State-wise details of Institute of Driving Training & Research (IDTR) and Regional Driving Training Centre (RDTCs) sanctioned by MoRT&H

Sl. No.	State	IDTR/RDTC	Location
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	IDTR	Vijayawada
2		IDTR	Dasri
3		IDTR	Kurnul
4	ASSAM	IDTR	Dispur
5	BIHAR	IDTR	Aurangabad
6	CHHATTISGARH	IDTR	Naya Raipur
7	HARYANA	IDTR	Rohtak
8		IDTR	Bhiwani
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH	IDTR	Mandi
10		IDTR	Sarkaghat
11	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	IDTR	Jammu
12	JHARKHAND	IDTR	Jamshedpur
13	KARNATAKA	IDTR	Bellary
14	KERALA	IDTR	Eddappal
15	MADHYA PRADESH	IDTR	Indore
16		IDTR	Chhindwara
17	MAHARASHTRA	IDTR	Pune
18		IDTR	Lature
19		IDTR	Nagpur
20		RDTC	Nagpur
21		RDTC	Vardha
22		RDTC	Nanded
23		RDTC	Sangli
24	MANIPUR	IDTR	Imphal
25	NAGALAND	IDTR	Dimapur
26	ODISHA	IDTR	Jajpur
27	RAJASTHAN	IDTR	Rajsamand
28		RDTC	Ajmer
29	SIKKIM	IDTR	Pakyong
30	TELANGANA	IDTR	Karimnagar

31	TRIPURA	IDTR	Agartala
32	UTTAR PRADESH	IDTR	Kanpur
33		IDTR	Rai Baraily
34	UTTARAKHAND	IDTR	Dehradun
35	DELHI	IDTR	Sarai Kale Khan
36	WEST BENGAL	IDTR	Kolkatta
37		RDTC	Kolkatta
