

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.531
ANSWERED ON 22ND JULY, 2021**

AWARENESS ABOUT ROAD SAFETY

531. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of road accidents that took place in the country during each of the last three years; and
- (b) the measures being taken by the Government to increase awareness about road safety?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) As per the data received from Police Departments of various States/UTs the total number of road accidents that took place in the country for the calendar year, starting from 2017 to 2019 are shown in the table given below:

Year	Total Road Accidents
2017	4,64,910
2018	4,67,044
2019	4,49,002

(b) To increase awareness about road safety, the following steps have been taken by the Government:

(i) 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.

(ii) 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 and other organizations, etc.

(iii) Observance of National Road Safety Month/Week every year across the country for spreading awareness and strengthening road safety.

(iv) A Certification Course for Road Safety Auditors has been commenced in Indian Academy of Highway Engineers (IAHE).

(v) Issue of Guidelines for protection of Good Samaritans and draft rules as per MV (Amendment) Act, 2019 has been published.
