# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2932 ANSWERED ON 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2024

# TRAFFIC JAMS AND ROAD ACCIDENTS

#### 2932. SHRI UJJWAL RAMAN SINGH:

### Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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## be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there has been a huge increase in the number of road accidents in the country in 2023-24 when compared to 2022-23, if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (b) the concrete efforts being made by the Government to tackle the issues of traffic jams, pressure horns and lack of awareness among people regarding traffic rules which are the main reasons for road accidents; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to incorporate traffic rules as a subject in the curriculum so as to inculcate this knowledge in students from an early age, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **ANSWER**

#### THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

### (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) The Central Government publishes report on "Road Accidents in India" annually based on data received from States/ UTs. As per the report for the year 2022, total number of road accidents in the country from year 2018 to 2022 is given in the table below:

Year	No. of Road accidents			
2018	4,70,403			
2019	4,56,959			
2020*	3,72,181			
2021*	4,12,432			
2022	4,61,312			

<sup>\* -</sup> Covid affected year

State-wise total number of road accidents in the country from year 2018 to 2022 are detailed as per Annexure.

(b) Traffic management and enforcement is essentially in the domain of State Governments / UT Administrations. While Central Government formulates rules under the Motor Vehicle Act, 1988, the enforcement of these rules comes under the purview of State Governments / UT Administrations.

Further, Section 67 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 confers power to States to control road transport including issuance of guidelines/notifications and development of schemes for reducing traffic congestion. Section 117 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 confers power to State Governments to determine suitable locations for parking places and halting stations while giving primacy to the safety of road users and free flow of traffic.

The Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Act, 2019 provides for electronic monitoring and enforcement of road safety on National Highways, State Highways, roads or in any urban city within a state which has a population up to such limits as may be prescribed by the Central Government. Accordingly, Government has published rules in August 2021 for Electronic Monitoring and Enforcement of Road Safety at high-risk and high-density corridors on National Highways, State Highways and at critical junctions in Million plus cities and cities under National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) in the Country.

In new NH projects on high density and high speed corridors of NHAI, installation of Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS) is generally a part of the project. Further, ATMS is also implemented as standalone projects in already constructed important corridors.

Government in Ministry of Road Transport & Highways conducts awareness campaigns through road safety advocacy, social media etc. to promote road safety. National Road Safety Month is also observed annually to create road safety awareness.

(c) Government has taken up the matter of incorporation of Road Safety Education in the school curriculum in the textbooks of NCERT with the Department of School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Education.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2932 ANSWERED ON 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2024 ASKED BY SHRI UJJWAL RAMAN SINGH REGARDING TRAFFIC JAMS AND ROAD ACCIDENTS.

	State-wise details of Road Accidents for the Calendar Year 2018-2022							
S. No.	States/UTs	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022		
1	Andhra Pradesh	24,475	21,992	19,509	21,556	21,249		
2	Arunachal Pradesh	277	237	134	283	227		
3	Assam	8,248	8,350	6,595	7,411	7,023		
4	Bihar	9,600	10,007	8,639	9,553	10,801		
5	Chhattisgarh	13,864	13,899	11,656	12,375	13,279		
6	Goa	3,709	3,440	2,375	2,849	3,011		
7	Gujarat	18,769	17,046	13,398	15,186	15,751		
8	Haryana	11,238	10,944	9,431	9,933	10,429		
9	Himachal Pradesh	3,110	2,873	2,239	2,404	2,597		
10	Jharkhand	5,394	5,217	4,405	4,728	5,175		
11	Karnataka	41,707	40,658	34,178	34,647	39,762		
12	Kerala	40,181	41,111	27,877	33,296	43,910		
13	Madhya Pradesh	51,397	50,669	45,266	48,877	54,432		
14	Maharashtra	35,717	32,925	24,971	29,477	33,383		
15	Manipur	601	672	432	366	508		
16	Meghalaya	399	482	214	245	246		
17	Mizoram	53	62	53	69	133		
18	Nagaland	430	358	500	746	489		
19	Odisha	11,262	11,064	9,817	10,983	11,663		
20	Punjab	6,428	6,348	5,203	5,871	6,138		
21	Rajasthan	21,743	23,480	19,114	20,951	23,614		
22	Sikkim	180	162	138	155	211		
23	Tamil Nadu	67,279	62,685	49,844	55,682	64,105		
24	Telangana	22,230	21,570	19,172	21,315	21,619		
25	Tripura	552	655	466	479	575		
26	Uttarakhand	1,468	1,352	1,041	1,405	1,674		
27	Uttar Pradesh	42,568	42,572	34,243	37,729	41,746		
28	West Bengal	12,705	12,658	10,863	11,937	13,686		
29	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	254	230	141	115	141		
30	Chandigarh	316	305	159	208	237		
31	Dadra & Nagar Haveli *	80	68	100	140	196		
32	Daman & Diu	76	69					
33	Delhi	6,515	5,610	4,178	4,720	5,652		
34	Jammu & Kashmir \$	5,978	5,796	4,860	5,452	6,092		
35	Ladakh				236	374		
36	Lakshadweep	3	1	1	4	3		
37	Puducherry	1,597	1,392	969	1,049	1,181		
Total (All India) 4,70,403 4,56,959 3,72,181 4,12,432 4,61,312						4,61,312		

Note: \* Includes data of Daman & Diu for the Year 2020 to 2022. \$ Includes data of Ladakh for the Year 2018 to 2020.

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