GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2395 ANSWERED ON 13TH MARCH, 2025

BLACK SPOTS ON HIGHWAYS

2395. SHRI CHINTAMANI MAHARAJ:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

(a) the number of black spots on National Highways (NHs) in Chhattisgarh;

(b) the time frame set for permanent rectification of the said black spots; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to use AI based surveillance technology to identify black spots and enhance real time road safety and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) There are 257 black spots on National Highways (NHs) in the state of Chhattisgarh.

(b) Certain locations on National Highways (NHs) are identified as black spots based on occurrence of certain number of accidents involving fatalities and grievous injuries. Government has taken steps for immediate short-term measures on such black spots like road markings, signages, crash barriers, road studs, delineators, closure of unauthorized median openings, traffic calming measures, etc. Longterm measures like improvement of road geometrics, junction improvements, spot widening of carriageway, construction of underpasses/ overpasses, etc. are also taken on such black spots as permanent rectification measures. Rectification of black spots is a continuous process, and temporary measures are taken on immediate basis. Out of total 257 black spots identified on the NHs in the state of Chhattisgarh, long-term rectification has been completed on 200 black spots.

(c) Electronic Detailed Accident Report (e-DAR) Project has been established as a central repository for reporting, management and analysis of road accidents data. Government has also issued guidelines in February, 2024 for taking advance action for removal of accident spots on National Highways reported on e-DAR platform thereby enhancing real-time road safety measures.

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