## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4420 ANSWERED ON 27<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2025

## **INSPECTIONS OF LOAD AND FREIGHT-BEARING VEHICLES**

## 4420. DR. BACHHAV SHOBHA DINESH:

## Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the fact that three persons including two students and an autorickshaw driver, died in an accident when a truck overturned on the autorickshaw on the service road in Daregaon area in Malegaon on February 22, 2025;

(b) whether the truck that overturned was overloaded and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government carries out regular inspections of loadbearing and freight-bearing vehicles for checking weight and if so, the details thereof including checkposts for the same in or near Malegaon;
(d) the action taken by the Government to ensure effective implementation of the prohibition of heavy vehicles on city roads during daytime or working hours to prevent such traffic accidents in Maharashtra; and

(e) whether the Government is planning to formulate a policy to take action against the apparent indifference of law enforcement agencies in effectively preventing the movement of heavy vehicles during daytime and if so, the details thereof?

## ANSWER

## THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

## (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (e) The Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Act, 2019 enacted in August, 2019 provides for installation of 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 maybe prescribed by the Government. Accordingly, Government in Ministry of Road Transport & Highways 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 cities having population of more than one million in the country and cities under National Clean Air Programme (NCAP). For the purpose of this rule, "electronic enforcement device" means a speed camera, closed-circuit television camera, speed gun, body wearable camera, dashboard camera, Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR), Weigh In Machine (WIM) and any such other technology specified by the respective State Government.

Enforcement of Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 comes under the purview of State Governments / UT Administrations. Based on the information received from the Transport Commissioner and Police Department, State Government of Maharashtra details of the said accident are as follows :-

The said accident took place on 22/02/2025 on Service Road on Mumbai-Agra Highway. As per investigation report of the State Police, the driver of truck who was driving in the opposite direction carelessly hit the ST bus from side and then overturned on the autorickshaw which was plying behind the bus. As a result, two students and the autorickshaw driver died.

The inspection report revels that the accident was not due to technical defects in vehicle.

As per the report, gross vehicle weight (GVW) of the truck is 35,000 kg and unladen weight (UW) is 9300 kg. Thus, the load carrying capacity of the truck is 25,700 kg. The vehicle was carrying 21,000 kg of goods. Therefore, the truck was not overloaded at the time of accident.

Dy. Regional Transport Office (RTO), Malegaon has deployed two flying squads for checking of vehicles in the jurisdiction of five talukas i.e. Kalwan, Baglan, Malegaon, Deola and Nandgaon. The action taken against the Motor Vehicles violating the provisions of Motor Vehicles Act by Dy. RTO Malegaon office is as follows:-

Description of	Period				
Offence	April 2024 - Feb 2025		March 2025		
	Reported	Compounding	Reported	Compounding	
	Vehicles	Fees (in Rs.)	Vehicles	Fees (in Rs.)	
<b>Overload Goods</b>	725	2,46,19,000	90	17,34,000	
<b>Driving Without</b>	874	32,10,000	20	15,000	

License				
Plying Without	930	25,16,000	31	49,500
Fitness	930	25,16,000	51	49,300
<b>Over Dimension</b>	23	2,87,500	12	2,40,000
Consignment				
Driving Without	4332	11,98,500	108	45,000
Helmet				·
Vehicles Without	599	3,18,000	30	20,000
Reflector				
Clandestine	12	1,56,000	1	10,000
Operation				
Driving Without	43	21,000	1	1,000
Seatbelt				
Overspeed	4508	8,70,000	828	6,54,000
Driving				
Drunk and Drive	16	50,000	0	0
Talking on	89	38,000	4	2,000
<b>Mobile Phone</b>				
While Driving				
Overload	14	28,000	1	2,000
Passenger				
Violation of	35	1,96,500	4	2,000
Permit Condition				
(Autorickshaw)				
Violation of	18	95,000	2	1,000
Permit Condition				
(Taxi)				
Violation of	92	7,93,500	40	22,000
Permit Condition				
(Bus)				
Vehicles Without	1326	8,18,000	20	24,000
PUC				
Vehicles Without	264	3,72,000	20	26,000
Insurance				
Other Offences	392	34,73,000	63	2,16,000
Total	14292	3,90,60,000	1275	30,63,500

Further, Heavy Vehicles are prohibited on city road of Mumbai in the peak hours.

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