

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 465
ANSWERED ON 06TH February, 2025**

ROAD ACCIDENTS DUE TO POTHOLES

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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a rise in the number of road accidents caused by potholes on the National Highways (NHs) during the last three years and the current year;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof, year-wise and State-wise, including Maharashtra;**
- (c) whether the Government has provided compensation to road accident victims during the said period, if so, the details thereof, State-wise and if not, the reasons therefor;**
- (d) Whether the Government has evolved any monitoring mechanism to identify potholes on NHs and repair them immediately;**
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;**

(f) the details of funds allocated and spent therefrom for the repairs and maintenance of the National Highways during the last three years, year-wise; and

(g) the details of funds which remained unutilized during the said period and the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) & (b) Road accident data is collected on a calendar year basis from Police Departments of all the States/Union Territories. The data of road accidents caused by potholes on all category of roads in India is attached at Annexure-I. No separate data is maintained in respect of road accidents caused by potholes on National Highways. However, 32.9% of accidents occur on National Highways whereas rest occur on other roads.

(c) Yes Sir, the details are placed at Annexure-II.

(d) to (g) Development and maintenance of NHs is a continuous process. The conditions of NHs are assessed from time to time by executing agencies. The maintenance and repairs (M&R) works on NHs are accordingly taken up from time to time to keep the NHs in traffic worthy condition.

The M&R of stretches of NHs under implementation, Operation, Maintenance & Transfer (OMT) Concessions/ Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Contracts are the responsibility of the concerned Concessionaires/ Contractors till the end of the Defect Liability Period (DLP)/ the Concession Period. M&R of stretches of NHs under TOT (Toll Operate and Transfer) and InvIT (Infrastructure Investment Trust), is the responsibility of Concessionaire till the end of the Concession Period.

Remaining sections/stretchches of NHs have been prioritized for the maintenance and repair and inter-alia evolved a mechanism to ensure M&R of all NHs sections through accountable maintenance agency under Performance Based Maintenance Contract (PBMC) or Short Term Maintenance Contract (STMC). Details of funds allocated and expenditure incurred on M&R of such NHs stretches during the last three years are as under:

Year	Allocation (₹ in Crore)	Expenditure (₹ in Crore)
2021-22	5,214	5,135
2022-23	6,510	6,278
2023-24	6,581	6,523

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 465 FOR ANSWER ON 06.02.2025 ASKED BY SHRI AMAR SHARADRAO KALE, PROF. VARSHA EKNATH GAIKWAD, SHRI MOHITE PATIL DHAIRYASHEEL RAJSINH, DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE, SHRI SANJAY DINA PATIL, SHRI BAJRANG MANOHAR SONWANE, SHRI NILESH DNYANDEV LANKE, SMT. SUPRIYA SULE AND SHRI BHASKAR MURLIDHAR BHAGARE REGARDING ROAD ACCIDENTS DUE TO POTHLES

States/UTs-wise number of road accidents caused by potholes on all category of roads in India during 2020 to 2022:

S. No.	States/UTs	Number of Road Accidents		
		2020	2021	2022
1	Andhra Pradesh	0	0	0
2	Arunachal Pradesh	13	25	20
3	Assam	194	187	319
4	Bihar	0	0	0
5	Chhattisgarh	5	15	40
6	Goa	0	0	0
7	Gujarat	6	8	0
8	Haryana	183	102	130
9	Himachal Pradesh	0	20	2
10	Jharkhand	129	97	56
11	Karnataka	36	67	55
12	Kerala	25	16	25
13	Madhya Pradesh	439	711	759
14	Maharashtra	61	33	4
15	Manipur	2	6	5
16	Meghalaya	0	0	1
17	Mizoram	1	0	2
18	Nagaland	57	15	12
19	Orissa	174	213	158
20	Punjab	102	114	84
21	Rajasthan	120	69	98
22	Sikkim	0	0	1
23	Tamil Nadu	385	459	446
24	Telangana	58	87	153

25	Tripura	0	0	1
26	Uttarakhand	4	0	0
27	Uttar Pradesh	1447	1254	1986
28	West Bengal	63	64	44
29	A & N Islands	0	0	0
30	Chandigarh	0	0	1
31	D & N Haveli	1	2	7
32	Daman & Diu			
33	Delhi	55	56	28
34	J & K	4	4	7
35	Ladakh	NA	0	0
36	Lakshadweep	0	0	0
37	Puducherry	0	1	2
Total		3564	3625	4446

Note:

- 1. NA- Not Available.**
- 2. Data of Daman & Diu is included in Dadra & Nagar Haveli from 2020 onwards**
- 3. Road accident data for West Bengal for the calendar year 2015 to 2017, 2019 & 2020 and Tamil Nadu for the calendar year 2017 to 2020 have been reconciled by respective state.**

ANNEXURE-II

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 465 FOR ANSWER ON 06.02.2025 ASKED BY SHRI AMAR SHARADRAO KALE, PROF. VARSHA EKNATH GAIKWAD, SHRI MOHITE PATIL DHAIRYASHEEL RAJSINH, DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE, SHRI SANJAY DINA PATIL, SHRI BAJRANG MANOHAR SONWANE, SHRI NILESH DNYANDEV LANKE, SMT. SUPRIYA SULE AND SHRI BHASKAR MURLIDHAR BHAGARE REGARDING ROAD ACCIDENTS DUE TO POTHLES

(Amount in Rs.)

State/UT	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25
Andhra Pradesh	0	0	3750000
Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0
Assam	0	0	600000
Bihar	0	407750000	413350000
Chhattisgarh	0	200000	4550000
Goa	0	0	0
Gujarat	0	2050000	34350000
Haryana	0	200000	3400000
Himachal Pradesh	0	0	550000
Jharkhand	16400000	84000000	44900000
Karnataka	0	600000	9700000
Kerala	0	200000	1100000
Madhya Pradesh	0	4850000	15200000
Maharashtra	0	0	7700000
Manipur	0	0	0
Meghalaya	0	0	0
Mizoram	0	0	0
Nagaland	0	0	50000
Odisha	0	0	2850000
Punjab	0	200000	3700000
Rajasthan	1000000	4350000	8300000
Sikkim	0	0	0
Tamil Nadu	0	0	5450000
Telangana	0	0	300000
Tripura	0	0	0
Uttar Pradesh	0	0	14700000
Uttarakhand	0	0	3500000

West Bengal	0	200000	650000
Andaman and Nicobar Islands	0	0	0
Chandigarh	0	0	0
The Dadra And Nagar Haveli And Daman And Diu	0	0	200000
Delhi	0	0	50000
Jammu and Kashmir	0	0	0
Ladakh	0	0	0
Lakshadweep	0	0	0
Puducherry	0	0	350000
