

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2057
ANSWERED ON 31ST JULY, 2025**

SAFETY OF PEDESTRIANS/CYCLISTS ALONG NHs

2057. SHRI GURMEET SINGH MEET HAYER:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government recognises the right to safe mobility of pedestrians, cyclists and non-motorised users along or across National Highways (NHs) and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the efforts made to integrate safe crossings and accessible infrastructure for women, children, the elderly and Persons with Disabilities (PwD) during highway planning and construction;

(c) whether data is maintained on pedestrian and cyclist fatalities or injuries on NHs during the last five years, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to ensure pedestrian-safe infrastructure in all highway projects at every stage including through design modifications where necessary and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a), (b) & (d) In order to ensure the safety of pedestrians, cyclists and non-motorised users, pedestrian underpasses, footpaths, foot-

over bridges, pedestrian crossings, are provided based on detailed surveys and site requirements as per Indian Road Congress (IRC) codal provisions/guidelines and specifications for Road and Bridge Works. Further, road safety audit is conducted on all National Highways (NHs) at design, construction, and pre-opening stage of National Highway projects as well as on existing NHs for ensuring safety of pedestrians and other vulnerable road users. IRC guidelines entail “universal accessibility” as one of the key principles with regards to provision of footpaths or footways being user-friendly to persons with disabilities. The provisions of aforementioned guidelines are implemented based on road safety audits and site requirements.

(c) Yes Sir, the details are Annexed.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2057 FOR 31.07.2025 ASKED BY SHRI GURMEET SINGH MEET HAYER REGARDING SAFETY OF PEDESTRIANS/CYCLISTS ALONG NHs.

Accidents and Fatalities on NH under categories Pedestrian and Bicycle				
Year	Pedestrians		Bicycles	
	Total Accidents	Deaths	Total Accidents	Deaths
2018[#]	NA	NA	NA	NA
2019	18906	7749	3693	1668
2020	13882	7753	2468	1232
2021	17113	9462	3009	1667
2022	20513	10160	3003	1445

Data collected 2019 onwards
