

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 717
ANSWERED ON 24TH JULY, 2025**

DEATHS IN ROAD ACCIDENTS IN MAHARASHTRA

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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether approximately 1.78 lakh lives are lost every year in road accidents in the country and that nearly 60% of these fatalities occur among individuals aged 18 to 34 years and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) the number of road accidents and fatalities attributed to potholes during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise including figures from Maharashtra;**
- (c) the total number of road accident deaths in Maharashtra during the last three years, disaggregated by age group, gender and cause including those due to poor road conditions and potholes;**
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to identify and eliminate accident-prone spots and pothole-ridden stretches on National Highways and other major roads, particularly in urban and semi-urban areas of Maharashtra; and**
- (e) whether Government proposes to launch any special road safety campaigns, enforcement drives, or youth-focused awareness programmes to reduce road accidents and fatalities among the 18-34 age group/youngsters and if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

- (a) Government in the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways publishes report on "Road Accidents in India" based on data received from States/ UTs. The said report has been published up to the year 2022. As per the report, total number of road accident fatalities**

occurred in the country on all category of roads from calendar year 2020 to 2022 are as under: -

Year	Total No. of Road Accidents Fatalities
2020*	1,38,383
2021*	1,53,972
2022	1,68,491

* - Covid affected Year.

As per the report, Year-wise Road Accident Fatalities for Age group 18 to 35 years are 47.4%, 46.3% and 45.1% for the years 2020, 2021 and 2022 respectively.

(b) As per data received from the States/UTs, road accidents are multi-causal phenomenon and are the result of interplay of various factors. These can broadly be categorized into (i) human error, (ii) road condition/environment and (iii) vehicular condition. State-wise and year-wise number of Road Accidents and Fatalities in the country on all categories of roads including State roads and Urban roads with Municipalities attributed to potholes during the calendar year 2020 to 2022 is annexed at Annexure – I.

(c) The total number of Road Accident Fatalities in Maharashtra, classified according to Age & Gender and Traffic Rule Violation including through potholes, are at Annexure - II and Annexure - III, respectively.

(d) In so far as National Highways (NHs) are concerned, works are carried out as per standards, guidelines, manual, code of practice of Indian Roads Congress as well as specifications for Road and Bridge Works. Necessary road safety measures are taken during design, construction, operation and maintenance stages. Further, Guidelines have been issued by IRC for regular safety audit of all NHs at design, construction, operational stage of NH projects as well as on existing NHs for ensuring road safety. Road construction for other categories of roads is undertaken by States/UTs. The rectification measures are taken on the basis of road safety audits.

High priority is given for identification and rectification of black-spots/accident spots. Government takes 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. Long-term measures like improvement of road geometrics, junction improvements, spot widening of carriageway, construction of underpasses/overpasses, etc. are also

taken on black spots as permanent rectification measures as per site requirements.

(e) The Government in the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has taken various initiatives to engage youth for road safety campaigns and awareness programs during the National Road Safety Month through activities preformed on mygov.in, MYBharat portal etc. every year.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 717 ANSWERED ON 24TH JULY, 2025 ASKED BY SHRI SANJAY DINA PATIL AND ORS. REGARDING DEATHS IN ROAD ACCIDENTS IN MAHARASHTRA

Road Accidents and Fatalities on account of Potholes in the country -

State/UT Year	Accidents			Fatalities		
	2020	2021	2022	2020	2021	2022
Andhra Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arunachal Pradesh	13	25	20	8	13	15
Assam	194	187	319	57	55	117
Bihar	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chhattisgarh	5	15	40	1	4	7
Goa	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gujarat	6	8	0	6	5	0
Haryana	183	102	130	69	38	47
Himachal Pradesh	0	20	2	0	11	2
Jharkhand	129	97	56	79	77	34
Karnataka	36	67	55	7	16	19
Kerala	25	16	25	2	6	1
Madhya Pradesh	439	711	759	96	220	199
Maharashtra	61	33	4	39	14	4
Manipur	2	6	5	1	0	3
Meghalaya	0	0	1	0	0	0
Mizoram	1	0	2	1	0	2
Nagaland	57	15	12	2	3	1
Orissa	174	213	158	80	93	69
Punjab	102	114	84	78	77	60
Rajasthan	120	69	98	50	23	51
Sikkim	0	0	1	0	0	0
Tamil Nadu	385	459	446	46	109	107
Telangana	58	87	153	36	29	40
Tripura	0	0	1	0	0	1
Uttarakhand	4	0	0	1	0	0
Uttar Pradesh	1447	1254	1986	759	649	1030
West Bengal	63	64	44	39	28	34
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chandigarh	0	0	1	0	0	1
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1	2	7	1	2	4
Daman & Diu	-	-		0	-	
Delhi	55	56	28	13	9	7
Jammu & Kashmir	4	4	7	0	0	0
Ladakh	0	0	0	-	0	0
Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	0	0
Puducherry	0	1	2	0	0	1
Total	3564	3625	4446	1471	1481	1856

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Total number of Road Accidents Fatalities in Maharashtra classified according to of Age and Gender						
Year/Age group	2020		2021		2022	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Less than 18 years	205	63	314	59	370	84
18-25 Years	1553	116	2255	151	2497	260
25-35 Years	2979	302	3414	333	3898	388
35-45 Years	3114	356	3246	392	3584	409
45-60 Years	1954	281	2287	295	2440	345
60 and Above	464	112	495	127	614	130
Age not known	64	6	149	11	189	16
Total	10333	1236	12160	1368	13592	1632

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Number of Road Accidents Fatalities in Maharashtra according to Traffic Rule Violation including through potholes			
Violation Type	2020	2021	2022
Over-Speeding	9152	9829	11493
Drunken Driving / Alcohol & Drug Use	45	94	133
Driving on Wrong Side	489	376	730
Jumping Red Light	0	0	32
Use of Mobile Phone	3	2	27
Others	1880	3227	2809
Total	11569	13528	15224
