

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1882
ANSWERED ON 11TH DECEMBER, 2025**

POLICY FOR COMPENSATION TO ROAD ACCIDENTS VICTIMS

1882. SHRI RAJEEV RAI:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) **the number of people who lost their lives in road accidents during the last eight years, State-wise and year-wise;**
- (b) **the details of accidents deaths, injuries and compensation paid against accidents on the National Highways (NHs), year-wise;**
- (c) **the details of the policy for providing compensation to the deceased and treatment to the injured;**
- (d) **the details of the schemes run by the Government and the amount spent to prevent road accidents, year-wise and State-wise; and**
- (e) **whether the Government has reviewed the major causes of road accidents during the said period, if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) and (b) As per data received from Police Departments of States/Union Territories, details of road accident fatalities on all categories of road in the country for the years 2017 to 2024 is annexed as per Annexure – I. Details of road accident fatalities and injuries on all National Highways of the country for the years 2017 to 2024 is given in the table below –

| Year | No. of Road Accident Fatalities | No. of injuries due to road accidents |
|-------------|--|--|
| 2017 | 53,796 | 1,39,856 |

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|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
| 2018 | 56,310 | 1,40,133 |
| 2019 | 56,587 | 1,37,600 |
| 2020 | 50,251 | 1,10,087 |
| 2021 | 56,007 | 1,17,765 |
| 2022 | 61,038 | 1,44,352 |
| 2023 | 63,112 | 1,43,031 |
| 2024 | 64,673 | 1,45,877 |

Note – Data of West Bengal for the Year 2024 taken from eDAR portal as on 08.12.2025.

(c) As per section 161 of Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, Central Government is required to provide compensation in respect of the death of, or grievous hurt to, persons resulting from hit and run motor accidents. Accordingly, the Government vide G.S.R. 163(E) dated the 25th February, 2022 has notified the Compensation to Victims of Hit and Run Motor Accidents Scheme, 2022 to provide compensation in respect of the death of, or grievous hurt to, persons resulting from hit and run motor accidents. The scheme stands implemented with effect from 1st of April, 2022. Under this Scheme, a fixed sum of Rs. 2 lakh is to be provided in case of death, and a fixed sum of Rs. 50,000 is to be provided in case of grievous hurt.

Further, in accordance with the legal mandate under Section 162 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, Cashless Treatment for Road Accident Victims Scheme, 2025 has been notified vide S.O. 2015(E) dated 05.05.2025. Comprehensive guidelines detailing the process flow, roles and responsibilities of various stakeholders, and the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for its implementation have been issued vide S.O. 2489 (E) dated 04.06.2025. The victims of road accidents are entitled to cashless treatment upto ₹1.5 lakh per victim per accident for maximum period of 7 days from date of accident and applicable to all road accidents caused by use of motor vehicle on any category of road.

The details of expenditure on compensation for the hit and run accidents, including on National Highways, are as under :

| Financial Year | Expenditure (Rs. in cr.) |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 2022-23 | 1.78 |
| 2023-24 | 50.81 |
| 2024-25 | 84.06 |
| 2025-26 (upto October, 2025) | 74.94 |

(d) Road Safety is an integral and indispensable component of every National Highways Project. Road Safety initiatives on National Highways commence with the inception of Detailed Project Report (DPR) as road safety audit of all National Highways projects has been made mandatory at all stages i.e. design, construction, operation & maintenance through auditors/experts. As per available data, funds allocated to be spent for comprehensive road safety aspects varies from 2.21% to 15% of total cost of the development projects depending upon structures involved for construction of National Highways.

Besides, the Government also implements the scheme for creation of awareness & publicity among road users and provides financial support to Transport Departments of States/UTs for setting up of Model Driving Training Institutes/Centres, setting up of Model Inspection & Certification Centres, improving and Strengthening of Public Transport System etc. The details of funds released for these initiatives during the last three Financial Years are placed at Annexure - II.

(e) As per the data, road accidents occur due to multiple causes such as over speeding, use of mobile phone, drunken driving/consumption of alcohol and drug, driving on wrong side/ lane indiscipline, jumping red light, non-use of safety devices such as helmets and seat belts, vehicular condition, weather condition, road condition, etc.

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| State-wise number of Road Accident Fatalities for the year 2017 to 2024 | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| S. No. | States/UTs | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
| 1 | Andhra Pradesh | 8060 | 7,556 | 7,984 | 7,039 | 8,186 | 8,293 | 8,137 | 8346 |
| 2 | Arunachal Pradesh | 110 | 175 | 127 | 73 | 157 | 148 | 145 | 168 |
| 3 | Assam | 2783 | 2,966 | 3,208 | 2,629 | 3,036 | 2,994 | 3,296 | 3351 |
| 4 | Bihar | 5554 | 6,729 | 7,205 | 6,699 | 7,660 | 8,898 | 8,873 | 9347 |
| 5 | Chhattisgarh | 4136 | 4,592 | 5,003 | 4,606 | 5,371 | 5,834 | 6,166 | 6945 |
| 6 | Goa | 328 | 262 | 297 | 223 | 226 | 271 | 290 | 286 |
| 7 | Gujarat | 7289 | 7,996 | 7,390 | 6,170 | 7,452 | 7,618 | 7,854 | 7717 |
| 8 | Haryana | 5120 | 5,118 | 5,057 | 4,507 | 4,706 | 4,915 | 4,968 | 4689 |
| 9 | Himachal Pradesh | 1203 | 1,208 | 1,146 | 893 | 1,052 | 1,032 | 889 | 869 |
| 10 | Jharkhand | 3256 | 3,542 | 3,801 | 3,044 | 3,513 | 3,898 | 4,173 | 4114 |
| 11 | Karnataka | 10609 | 10,990 | 10,958 | 9,760 | 10,038 | 11,702 | 12,321 | 12390 |
| 12 | Kerala | 4131 | 4,303 | 4,440 | 2,979 | 3,429 | 4,317 | 4,080 | 3880 |
| 13 | Madhya Pradesh | 10177 | 10,706 | 11,249 | 11,141 | 12,057 | 13,427 | 13,798 | 14791 |
| 14 | Maharashtra | 12264 | 13,261 | 12,788 | 11,569 | 13,528 | 15,224 | 15,366 | 15715 |
| 15 | Manipur | 136 | 134 | 156 | 127 | 110 | 127 | 73 | 72 |
| 16 | Meghalaya | 182 | 182 | 179 | 144 | 187 | 162 | 168 | 197 |
| 17 | Mizoram | 60 | 45 | 48 | 42 | 56 | 113 | 96 | 110 |
| 18 | Nagaland | 41 | 39 | 26 | 53 | 55 | 73 | 86 | 62 |
| 19 | Odisha | 4790 | 5,315 | 5,333 | 4,738 | 5,081 | 5,467 | 5,739 | 6142 |
| 20 | Punjab | 4463 | 4,740 | 4,525 | 3,898 | 4,589 | 4,756 | 4,829 | 4759 |
| 21 | Rajasthan | 10444 | 10,320 | 10,563 | 9,250 | 10,043 | 11,104 | 11,762 | 11790 |
| 22 | Sikkim | 78 | 85 | 73 | 47 | 56 | 92 | 57 | 67 |
| 23 | Tamil Nadu | 17918 | 18,392 | 18,129 | 14,527 | 15,384 | 17,884 | 18,347 | 18449 |
| 24 | Telangana | 6596 | 6,603 | 6,964 | 6,882 | 7,557 | 7,559 | 7,660 | 7949 |
| 25 | Tripura | 161 | 213 | 239 | 192 | 194 | 241 | 261 | 226 |
| 26 | Uttarakhand | 942 | 1,047 | 867 | 674 | 820 | 1,042 | 1,054 | 1090 |
| 27 | Uttar Pradesh | 20124 | 22,256 | 22,655 | 19,149 | 21,227 | 22,595 | 23,652 | 24118 |
| 28 | West Bengal | 6098 | 5,711 | 5,767 | 5,128 | 5,800 | 6,002 | 6,027 | 6678 |
| 29 | Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 21 | 19 | 20 | 14 | 20 | 19 | 24 | 29 |
| 30 | Chandigarh | 107 | 98 | 104 | 53 | 96 | 83 | 67 | 75 |
| 31 | Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 43 | 54 | 49 | 64 | 76* | 90* | 74 | 95 |
| 32 | Daman & Diu | 36 | 35 | 28 | ** | * | * | | |
| 33 | Delhi | 1584 | 1,690 | 1,463 | 1,196 | 1,239 | 1,461 | 1,457 | 1551 |
| 34 | J & K# | 926 | 984 | 996 | 728 | 774 | 805 | 893 | 831 |
| 35 | Ladakh | — | NA | NA | NA | 56 | 62 | 59 | 61 |

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|---|-------------|--------|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 36 | Lakshadweep | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| 37 | Puducherry | 233 | 226 | 147 | 145 | 140 | 181 | 149 | 218 |
| Total (All India) | | 150003 | 1,57,593 | 158984 | 138383 | 153972 | 168491 | 172890 | 177177 |
| Note: | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. *Data of Daman & Diu is included in Dadra & Nagar Haveli from 2020 onwards | | | | | | | | | |
| 2. Data have been reconciled for West Bengal for the calendar year 2015 to 2017, 2019 & 2020 and Tamil Nadu for the calendar year 2017 to 2020. | | | | | | | | | |
| 3. Data of West Bengal for the Year 2024 is taken from eDAR Portal as on 08.12.2025. | | | | | | | | | |
| NA: Not Available | | | | | | | | | |

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Details of funds released by the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways for various road safety initiatives/schemes during the last three FYs

| (Rs. In Crores) | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|--|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| Sl. No | Activity/ Program | BE FY 2022 - 23 | Expenditure in FY 2022 - 23 | BE FY 2023 - 24 | Expenditure in FY 2023 - 24 | BE FY 2024 - 25 | Expenditure in FY 2024 - 25 |
| 1 | Road Safety publicity measures and awareness campaigns, National Highway Accident Relief Service Scheme (NHARSS), refresher Training of Drivers in Unorganised Sector and Human Resource Development, etc. | 189.50 | 68.67 | 138.10 | 85.04 | 103.50 | 99.20 |
| 2 | Inspection and Certification Centres (Revenue) | 33.00 | 14.60 | 24.00 | 17.77 | 19.50 | 10.65 |
| 3 | Improving and Strengthening of Public Transport System | 15.00 * | 30.33 | 50.00 | 38.00 | 38.00 | 16.04 |

*** Rs. 40.00 crore at RE Stage**
