

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS
RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-590

ANSWERED ON-23.07.2018

Road accidents in the country

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- (a) the details on number of road accidents, lives lost and people injured due to presence of potholes during the last three years, State-wise and year-wise;
- (b) the details of budgetary allocation for repair and maintenance of National Highways during last three years, Statewise and year-wise;
- (c) whether Ministry has facilitated a central platform for citizens to report potholes;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether measures have been taken by the Ministry to hold civic authorities accountable for faulty road design and engineering and poor maintenance of roads; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)

(a) As per the reports received from the police department of all States/UTs during last three calendar years i.e. 2015, 2016 and 2017, the compiled data of persons killed due to potholes in road accidents is at Annexure –I to III.

The total number of persons killed due to potholes in road accidents during the calendar years i.e. 2015, 2016 and 2017 are given at below:

Years	Road Accidents	Persons Killed	Persons Injured
2015	10876	3416	10065
2016	6024	2324	6310
2017	9423	3597	8792

(b) Budgetary allocation for repair and maintenance of National Highways in last three years and current years up to June 2018 is as at Annexure- IV.

(c) to (f) The Government has mandated Road Safety Audit at each stage of the Highway project to provide safer transportation to road users. This Road Safety Audit is being done by Independent Road Safety Auditor at every stage and the finding of which are being complied by the concessionaire/Contractor of the project. Beside this Ministry and National Highways Authority of India

(NHAI) have its own websites which may accessed for any grievances .

An Independent Engineer / Authority Engineer appointed by NHAI and the concerned Project Directors of NHAI inspect the project highways under their respective jurisdictions and take suitable short term and long term measures through the Concessionaires /contractors/O&M Agencies to ensure that the roads are pothole free. In order to make the National Highway stretches pothole free, routine maintenance activities are carried out through the Concessionaires/Contractors/O&M Agencies.