GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGH WAYS RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO 2182 ANSWERED ON **06.08.2018**

Increasing accidents in hilly States

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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGH WAYS be pleased to state :-

(a) whether Ministry has taken cognizance of increasing accidents in hilly States of the country;

(b) if so, whether Ministry proposes to come up with a Hill Road Safety Policy, as hilly terrains demand different considerations than roads in plain areas;

(c) whether such a policy is proposed, and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the additional safety measures put in place in hilly areas as compared to plain roads and the mechanism put in place to undertake audit of the same?

ANSWER

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

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(a) to (d) National Highways are designed and constructed as per Standards/ Guidelines issued by Indian Roads Congress (IRC)/Ministry. Considering the specific safety requirement in hilly terrain separate standards for design/construction of highways are adopted. Indian Roads Congress (IRC) has evolved IRC: SP: 48 'Hill Road Manual' which covers specific requirement including safety measures for the hill roads.
