

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4120  
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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR CRANE AND AMBULANCE  
Owaisi Shri Asaduddin

**Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government is providing financial assistance for project of crane and ambulance under the National Highway patrolling scheme ;
- (b) if so, the total financial assistance provided to different States including Andhra Pradesh during the last three years, State-wise ;
- (c) whether the Government is also providing ambulance to various NGOs ;
- (d) if so, the details of the such NGOs provided with ambulances in Andhra Pradesh so far ; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure proper medical facilities on National Highways in the country ?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS ( SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

- (a) No financial assistance is provided under the National Highways Accident Relief Service Scheme. However, under the scheme this Ministry provides Cranes and Ambulances to State Government/Non-Governmental Organisations for transporting road accident victims to nearest place where medical facilities are available.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Yes Sir.
- (d) So far only one NGO namely - M/s Krishna District Lorry Owners Association, Vijaywada in Andhra Pradesh has been provided a set of crane and ambulance in the year 2002-03.
- (e) In addition to provision of Crane & Ambulances by this Ministry, the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare also provides assistance to the States/UTs under the scheme of 'Assistance for Capacity Building' for upgradation of emergency services/trauma care facilities in Hospitals including those located near the National Highways.