GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1100 ANSWERED ON:09.03.2005 ACCIDENTS DUE TO OVERTAKING Athawale Shri Ramdas

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

- (a) whether the number of road accidents has increased rapidly in the country due to uncontrolled overtaking;
- (b) if so, the year-wise and State-wise details thereof during the last three years till date;
- (c) whether the Hon'ble Supreme Court had issued any directives to check overtaking by city buses on November 20, 1997;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government has taken any steps in compliance with the directives of the Supreme Court; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): The data regarding number of road accidents due to uncontrolled over-taking is not compiled by this Ministry. However, the data containing details of road accidents on year-wise as well as state-wise basis is annexed.

(c)to(f): Hon'ble Supreme Court in course of hearing of Writ Petition(Civil) No. 13029 of 1985 (M.C. Mehta vs. Union of India & Others), I.A. Nos. 7,8,9 & 10 had directed the police and other authorities of NCR and NCT of Delhi entrusted with administration and enforcement of Motor Vehicles Act and generally in control of traffic to inter-alia, ensure that transport vehicles are not permitted to overtake any other four-wheeled motorized vehicles. Enforcement and compliance of this direction is the responsibility of the State authorities of NCR and NCT of Delhi.

Annexure

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) & (b) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1100 FOR ANSWER ON 9.3.2005 ASKED BY SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE REGARDING ACCIDENTS DUE TO OVERTAKING

STATEMENT SHOWING STATE-WISE ROAD ACCIDENTS IN INDIA DURING LAST THREE YEARS 2000 TO 2002.

All India /States /UTs. 2000 2001 2002

Rajasthan 19932 19999 20571

Sikkim 94 109 228

Tamil Nadu 48923 51978 53503
Tripura 524 544 624
Uttaranchal 877 1061 1117
Uttar Pradesh 16644 20473 20684
West Bengal 18979 16954 17974
A & N Islands 158 181 168
Chandigarh 455 492 494
D & N Haveli 84 88 80
Daman & Diu 66 53 68
Delhi 10245 9344 8699
Lakshadweep 6 6 3
Pondicherry 1054 1286 1484

Total 391449 405637 407497