

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

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ROAD ACCIDENTS IN MADHYA PRADESH AND MAHARASHTRA

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

(a) whether a large number of accidents have taken place on National Highways (NHs)-26 and 86 in the border areas of Madhya Pradesh as well as in Maharashtra particularly on NH-17 during the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, State-wise and NH-wise; and

(c) the steps taken or being taken by the Government to reduce the number of road accidents on these NHs?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI SARVEY SATHYANARAYANA)

(a) & (b) The details of accidents occurred on NH 26 and 17 during the last three years is at Annexure I. The data on road accidents on NH-86 is presently not available. Details of State-wise/Union Territory wise number of road accidents including those on National Highways reported during each of the years 2009 to 2011 (the latest available data) are at Annexure II. The analysis of road accident data reveals that drivers' fault is the single most important factor responsible for accidents (77.5%). Some of the other factors responsible for road accidents are as under:

Fault of pedestrian 2.4%

Fault of cyclist 1.3%

Defect in road conditions 1.5%

Defect in condition 1.6% of motor vehicle

Weather condition 1.0%

All other causes 14.8%#

Includes Fault of Driver of other vehicles, Fault of Passengers, Poor light condition, Falling of boulders, Neglect of civic bodies, Stray animals, other causes and causes not known.

(c) Adequate safety measures are being taken by providing Service Road, Pedestrian and Vehicular Under Passes, Foot Over Bridges, flyover, along with improved engineering measures such as road geometry, alignment and sight distance, in the design of new and improving existing highways. Safety measures like placing of road signages, road Marking, delineators, etc are also provided, as per requirement. Chainage of Kanpur-Kabrai section of NH 86 is being developed to two lanes with paved shoulder and adequate safety measures are being taken at site.