

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

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Prevention of Accidents on Highways

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that a large numbers of fatal accidents have taken place in the 34-km stretch of Mumbai-Bangalore highway in the Pune city limits;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has received a detailed study report conducted by Traffic police suggesting structural changes that are required to prevent accidents on this stretch;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the action taken by the NHAI for the safety of passengers on the stretch?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI))

(a) & (b) Westerly Diversion (34 km length stretch in Pune city limit) is part of 6-laning project of Pune-Satara section (length 140 km) of NH-4. Statistical data of accidents which have occurred between Dehuroad to Katraj on Mumbai – Bangalore Highway (NH-4) from Jan 2015 to June 2015 is as follows:

Total Accident Fatal Grievous Minor

42 12 14 21

Concessionaire has been taking all steps as necessary for safe movement of traffic in consultation with Police Authority, Independent Engineer and Safety Consultant..

(c) to (e) Regular meetings are held by the Concessionaire with Police Authorities duly coordinated by NHAI for regulation of traffic. Six Laning of Pune-Satara section of NH4 has been awarded to M/s PSTRPL w.e.f. 01.10.2010 for a period of 24 years with mandate that traffic will be regulated by Concessionaire in consultation with Police Authorities. NHAI has appointed Safety Consultant to carry out Safety Audit and suggest Safety measures required for safe movement of traffic. Provisions of safety measures is a continual process being performed by the Concessionaire.
