GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3038 ANSWERED ON:31.07.2014 WILD ANIMALS KILLED ON NH 67 AND 212 Chinnaraj Shri Gopalakrishnan

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that several wild animals are getting killed by speeding vehicles on National Highway 67 and 212:
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken to avoid such instances including financial allocation made in this regard;
- (c) whether it has been reported to the Government that the Coonoor- Mettupalayam section of NH 67 often gets affected due to landslides/rains; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof for the last three years along with the action taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI KRISHANPAL GURJAR)

- (a) and (b): No animal has been killed by speeding vehicles on NH-67 and NH-212. However, in Karnataka for avoiding death of wild animals, movement of vehicles has been banned on NH-67 and NH-212 from 9.00 P.M. to 6.00 A.M. Further speed breakers and cautionary sign boards have been provided for reduction of speed.
- (c) and (d): Some stretches of Coonoor to Mettupalayam of NH-67 gets affected due to landslides. During last three years only minor land slides have occurred like falling of small boulders and trees which were cleared immediately.