GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:68
ANSWERED ON:27.11.2014
ROAD ACCIDENTS
Kateel Shri Nalin Kumar; Wanaga Shri Chintaman Navsha

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

- (a) the number of persons killed due to road accidents including rash driving during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise:
- (b) whether an analysis of the road accidents has highlighted the need to redesign crossing junctions and proper monitoring of traffic flow:
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the action proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to introduce appropriate legislation for Safety and Security of road users and also to set up Road Safety Committees in all the States to curb road accidents; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN) (a) to (e) A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 68 ANSWERED ON 27.11.2014 ASKED BY ADV. CHINTAMAN NAVASHA WANGA AND SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL REGARDING ROAD ACCIDENTS.

- (a) The State-wise/UT details of number of persons killed in road accidents including rash driving during the years 2011 to 2013 (the latest available data) is at Annexure-I.
- (b) & (c) Road accidents are caused due to the complex interaction of a number of factors. These include drivers fault, mechanical defects in the vehicles, fault of pedestrians, bad road, bad weather, increase in vehicular population, increase in population, heterogeneous traffic etc. It may not be possible to pin point any one reason for road accidents. However, it has been observed that uncontrolled junctions are a major cause of accidents and fatalities and suitable guidelines for development of junction have already been issued.
- (d)& (e) This Ministry has drafted Road Transport and Safety Bill, 2014 covering the entire gamut of issues related to motor vehicles and road safety.