

- (iii) Establishment of driving training institutes.
- (iv) Tightening of safety standards of vehicles like helmets, seat belts, power-steering, rear view mirror.
- (v) Publicity campaigns on road safety awareness.

Liquor vends along the NHs

2564. SHRI M.P. ACHUTHAN:
 SHRI K.E. ISMAIL:
 SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that as many as 1.34 lakh deaths are reported in road accidents every year in the country and 70 per cent of all fatalities are due to drunken driving;
- (b) if so, the State-wise details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that mushrooming growth of 24 hour liquor vends along the National Highways results in impulsive buying of alcohol and responsible for about 72 per cent of road accidents in National Highways; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the measures being taken to control the operation of liquor vends on National Highways?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (DR. TUSHAR CHAUDHARY): (a) and (b) During the year 2009 (the latest available data), 1,25,660 persons were killed in road accidents out of which 9,307 people died due to intake of alcohol/drugs. The States/UTs-wise details of number of persons killed and person killed in road accidents due to intake of alcohol/drugs in 2009 is given in Statement (*See below*).

(c) and (d) Licensing of liquor shops is covered under Excise Policy of the States. All States/UTs have been requested to ensure that no license is issued to liquor vendors along National Highways. State Governments were also requested to review cases wherever licence had already been given for liquor vendors along National Highways for taking corrective action. In addition, the following steps have been taken to curb road accidents caused by drunken driving:-

- (i) Section 185 of Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 provides for punishment of imprisonment or fine or both for the offence of drunken driving.
- (ii) Ministry undertakes campaigns through print and electronic media to spread awareness about dangers of drunken driving.

- (iii) Twenty four interceptors with breath analyzers have been provided by the Ministry to States/UTs to check cases of violations of traffic rules, including drunken driving.

Statement

Total Number of Persons Killed in Road Accidents and Number of Persons killed in Road Accidents due to Intake of Alcohol/Drugs in States/UTs during the year 2009

Sl. No.	States/UTs	Number of persons killed in Road Accidents	Number of Persons killed in Road Accidents due to intake of alcohol/drugs
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	14,770	1,668
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	158	9
3.	Assam	1,991	129
4.	Bihar	4,390	422
5.	Chhattisgarh	2,865	64
6.	Goa	321	0
7.	Gujarat	6,983	170
8.	Haryana	4,603	131
9.	Himachal Pradesh	1,140	28
10.	Jammu and Kashmir	1,100	9
11.	Jharkhand	2,170	273
12.	Karnataka	8,714	212
13.	Kerala	3,830	8
14.	Madhya Pradesh	7,365	681
15.	Maharashtra	11,396	896
16.	Manipur	125	15
17.	Meghalaya	145	11
18.	Mizoram	60	6
19.	Nagaland	55	0

1	2	3	4
20.	Orissa	3,527	335
21.	Punjab	3,668	323
22.	Rajasthan	9,045	311
23.	Sikkim	87	0
24.	Tamil Nadu	13,746	538
25.	Tripura	229	0
26.	Uttarakhand	852	3
27.	Uttar Pradesh	14,638	2,127
28.	West Bengal	4,860	932
29.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	33	4
30.	Chandigarh	171	0
31.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	45	0
32.	Daman and Diu	33	0
33.	Delhi	2,325	0
34.	Lakshadweep	2	2
35.	Puducherry	218	0
TOTAL:		125,660	9,307

Action by NHAI to avoid accidents on NH-8

2565. SHRI PARSHOTTAM KHODABHAI RUPALA:

SHRI BHARATSINH PRABHATSINH PARMAR:

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

(a) the action taken by NHAI to avoid probable vehicle accidents on compact underpass of over bridge at Waghladhara on Surat-Dahinsar Section of NH-8, the details thereof; and

(b) by when NHAI will construct protection wall at location of Pattidar Samaj community hall at Chikhli on NH-8 on Surat-Dahinsar Section as particular at this location is very deep compare to surface of National Highway so there will be huge chance of expansion of road area?