

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
20.	Uttar Pradesh	56	22	206.07	0	0	0.00
21.	Uttarakhand	7	1	2.59	0	0	0.00
22.	West Bengal	10	2	72.73	0	0	0.00

Steps to minimise the road accidents

†412. SHRI ISHWARLAL SHANKARLAL JAIN: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of increasing road accidents in the country, Government has taken any proper steps to minimise the road accidents;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has assessed the situation by taking a look at road crash barriers erected to avert accidents on the highways and city roads of other countries and minimise number of such mishaps; and

(d) if so, whether creation of such barriers is also being considered in India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (DR. TUSHAR CHAUDHARY): (a) and (b) The Ministry has been taking the following steps to minimise road accidents in the country:

- I. Road safety is an integral part of road design at the planning stage.
- II. Road Safety Audit of selected stretches of National Highways/Expressways.
- 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.

(c) and (d) Guidelines for installation of roadside safety barrier and crash barriers have been provided in various Indian Road Congress (IRC) publications like IRC:SP:73-2007, IRC:SP:84-2009, IRC:SP:87-2010 and IRC:5-1988. Metal beam/concrete crash barriers are being used as per these specifications and standards.

Development plans for country

413. SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) next five year development plans of the Ministry for the country;

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- (b) the amount of budget that would be required for the same; and
- (c) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA): (a) to (c) The Twelfth Five Year Plan (2012-17) has not yet been finalized.

Traffic jams at Modinagar

†414. SHRI RASHEED MASOOD: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has formulated any policy to get rid of the daily traffic jams at Modinagar, Ghaziabad;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it has been proposed to widen the National Highway 58 from Ghaziabad to Modinagar-Meerut; and
- (d) if so, by when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA): (a) to (d) To ease traffic flow, widening of existing highways is being taken up. Six laning of NH-58 from Delhi/UP Border to Meerut is a part of Delhi - Meerut Expressway project under NHDP Phase-VI to be implemented by the NHAI. Final Feasibility Study Report has been submitted by the consultant. Construction of 6-lane highway between Delhi/UP Border to Meerut which includes construction of various underpasses/flyovers at intersections is expected to ease the traffic flow on NH-24. Construction of the expressway is proposed to be completed by December 2015.

Plans for Andhra Pradesh in Twelfth Plan

415. SHRIMATI GUNDU SUDHARANI: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the plans the Ministry has drawn out in the Twelfth Plan period;
- (b) the estimated investment required for the above plan;
- (c) the details of the manner in which the Ministry proposed to pool the above resources; and
- (d) the special emphasis the Ministry is giving to Andhra Pradesh in the Twelfth Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA): (a) to (d) The Twelfth Five Year Plan (2012-17) has not yet been finalized.

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