

Survival chance of road accidents victims

560. DR. PRABHAKAR KORE: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of people killed in road accidents in the country in 2012, the State-wise details;

(b) whether it is a fact that the survival chances of road accidents victims go up by 50 per cent if they are provided treatment within an hour; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by Government to provide immediate treatment to road accident victims?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI TUSHAR BHAI CHAUDHARY): (a) A total number of 1,38,258 persons were killed in road accidents in India during the year 2012. The State-wise detail is given in the Statement (*See* below).

(b) and (c) It is an accepted strategy of trauma care that if basic life support, first aid and replacement of fluids leading to initial stabilization can be arranged within first hour of the injury called "Golden Hour", lives of many accident victims can be saved. Recognizing the vital importance of quick medical assistance and evacuation of road accident victims' in reducing the trauma and probability of death and disability associated with road accidents, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has been implementing a Scheme 'establishment of an integrated network of Trauma Centres' along the Golden Quadrilateral, North-South and East-West Corridors of the National Highways by upgrading the trauma care facilities in identified State Government hospitals. Setting up of the integrated network of Trauma Centres along the Golden Quadrilateral, North-South and East-West Corridors will ensure that each accident victim on these corridors is able to get competent medical assistance within the shortest possible time thereby saving precious lives. Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has provided 134 advanced life support ambulances to 134 identified hospitals upgraded under this Scheme.

In addition, the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, under the scheme "National Highways Accident Relief Service Scheme (NHARSS)" has been providing cranes and ambulances to States/UTs/NGOs for relief and rescue measures in the aftermath of accidents by way of evacuating road accident victim to nearest medical aid centre and for clearing the accident site. A pilot project has

also been launched by the Ministry for cashless treatment upto Rs. 30,000 for first 48 hours for road accident victims on Gurgaon-Jaipur section of NH 8.

National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has deployed basic life support ambulances through Concessionaires with trained and specialized manpower at every 50 Km. on the completed stretches of Highway being built and operated by them. There is also provision of Medical Aid Post at each toll plaza for providing emergency medical aid in concession agreement for Build Operate Transfer projects/ Operate Maintain and Transfer projects. A total number of 265 ambulances, 256 Route Patrol vehicles and 224 Tow Away Cranes are in position.

Statement

*Total number of persons killed in Road Accidents
in India during the year 2012*

Sl. No.	States/UTs	Total number of persons killed in road accidents
1	2	3
1	Andhra Pradesh	14,964
2	Arunachal Pradesh	138
3	Assam	2,291
4	Bihar	5,056
5	Chhattisgarh	3,167
6	Goa	292
7	Gujarat	7,817
8	Haryana	4,446
9	Himachal Pradesh	1,109
10	Jammu and Kashmir	1,165
11	Jharkhand	2,818
12	Karnataka	9,448

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13	Kerala	4,286
14	Madhya Pradesh	8,175
15	Maharashtra	13,333
16	Manipur	158
17	Meghalaya	219
18	Mizoram	77
19	Nagaland	56
20	Odisha	3,701
21	Punjab	4,820
22	Rajasthan	9,528
23	Sikkim	55
24	Tamil Nadu	16,175
25	Tripura	272
26	Uttarakhand	844
27	Uttar Pradesh	16,149
28	West Bengal	5,397
29	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	25
30	Chandigarh	136
31	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	53
32	Daman and Diu	29
33	Delhi	1,866
34	Lakshadweep	-
35	Puducherry	193
TOTAL		138,258