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Uttar Pradesh	Agra, Aligarh, Allahabad, Amroha (J P Nagar), Baghapat, Bijnor, Budaun, Bulandshahar, Chitrakoot, Etah, Fatehpur, Firozabad, G B Nagar, Ghaziabad, Hapur, Hathras, Jaunpur, Kannauj, Kanpur Nagar, Kasganj, Kaushambi, Lucknow, Mahoba, Mainpuri, Mathura, Meerut, Moradabad, Muzaffarnagar, Pratapgarh, Rampur, Saharanpur, Sambhal, Shamli, Varanasi
Daman and Diu	Diu
Puducherry	Puducherry

Grant to State Road Transport Corporations

*206. SHRIMATI SASIKALA PUSHPA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has given a grant of ₹1 crore to all State Road Transport Corporations (SRTCs) for augmenting training infrastructure;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether Government had specifically instructed SRTCs to concentrate on skill upgradation of drivers in order to avoid accidents; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA): (a) to (d) The Government has approved a scheme for Skill development of drivers and mechanical staff in Road Transport and workmen in the Highways construction sector. Under the Scheme a grant of ₹ 1 cr. is payable to every training centre for skilling of drivers. Till date 16 such proposals have been approved for training centres at A.P., Karnataka and UP. The skilling of drivers would help in reducing accidents.

Six laning of Raipur-Durg national highway

†*207. DR. BHUSHAN LAL JANGDE: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to convert four-lane National Highway from Raipur to Durg in Chhattisgarh into six lanes; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.