

Accidents on NH-29

2172. SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of accidents along with the persons who died and injured on NH-29 from Varanasi to Gorakhpur, Package-II from kilometre 12 to 88 during last two years till date;

(b) whether no safety measures have been taken/deployed as per the guidelines of NHAI on the said section of NH-29 where four laning is in progress, in connivance with local NHAI officials;

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor and action taken against the erring companies which are engaged in four laning of said work; and

(d) if not, details of safety measures taken/deployed, safety measure-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI MANSUKH MANDAVIYA): (a) As per the data available with National Highways Authority of India (NHAI), the details of accidents along with the persons who died or got injured on NH-29 from Varanasi to Gorakhpur, Package-II from kilometre 12 to 88 during last two years (from April, 2017 to June, 2018) are as under:

	Fatal	Injured
Year-2017		
April-17	4	2
May-17	6	15
June-17	2	7
July-17	2	3
August-17	9	7
Sept-17	8	1
Oct-17	5	3
Nov-17	0	4
Dec-17	1	5
Year-2018		
Jan-18	1	5
Feb-18	4	6

Year-2017	Fatal	Injured
Mar-18	5	6
April-18	3	3
May-18	2	3
June-18	2	0

(b) to (d) No, Sir. All safety measures including construction of diversion had been implemented during construction of said road from existing two lane to 4 lane. These accidents took place mostly due to rash driving and deficient curves and profile. All these shortcomings would get eliminated after upgradation of said road to 4 lane configuration is completed, which is scheduled by September, 2019.

Status of NHs in the country

2173. SHRI P. L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total length in kilometres of National Highways which have been added/ built in the country during last three years; and

(b) the amount of Central Road Funds allocated to the different States for the maintenance of State Highways and how much of that amount has been utilized by the State Governments during last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI MANSUKH MANDAVIYA): (a) Ministry has constructed/developed 24,121 km of National Highways (NHs) during the last three years. The total length of NHs as on 31.03.2014 was about 91,287 km and this has been enhanced to 1,29,709 km.

(b) The Ministry allocates funds to the States/Union Territories (UTs) for development and maintenance of State Roads (Non Rural Roads) including State Highways under the Central Road Fund (CRF) scheme. Apart from this, the Ministry also allocates funds for development of State Roads of Economic Importance and Inter-State Connectivity (EI & ISC) as per the CRF Act, 2000 amended by the Finance Act from time to time.

State/ Union Territory (UT)-wise details of accrual/allocation of funds and release/ expenditure under CRF and EI & ISC Schemes during the last three years are given in the Statement-I and Statement-II.