GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-3922

ANSWERED ON-06/04/2022

ROAD ACCIDENTS AND FATALITIES

3922. SHRI JAWHAR SIRCAR:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that India has the highest number of road crash fatalities in the world;
- (b) the percentage of the fatalities involving road users between the ages of 18 years to 45 years, the most economically productive segment; and
- (c) whether World Bank opined that India can add 14 per cent to its Gross Domestic Product per capita if it successfully halves the number of road accidents crashes and injuries by 2038?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

- (a) Based on the latest issue of the World Road Statistics (WRS) 2018 brought out by the International Road Federation, Geneva, India ranks Number 3 as per Number of Accidents, ranks Number 1 as per Number of persons killed and ranks Number 3 as per number of persons injured in road accidents.
- (b) As per the data received from police department of all States/UTs, the percentage of the fatalities involving road users between the ages of 18 years to 45 years is 69.80 percent for the year 2020.
- (c) World Bank in its report "The High Toll of Traffic Injuries: Unacceptable and Preventable" has opined that reducing road traffic mortality and morbidity by 50 percent and sustaining it over a period of 24 years could generate an additional flow of income equivalent to 14 percent of 2014 GDP in India.
