

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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PLAN TO SAVE LIVES OF ACCIDENT VICTIMS
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Highways Authority of India in association with NGOs has prepared any plan to train villagers residing along the highways to save lives of accident victims;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the time by which the said plan will be implemented along all important national highways throughout the country; and
- (d) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) to (c) NHAI has taken a number of measures for accident reduction such as provision of service roads, underpasses, safety barriers, flyovers, improved signs and markings etc. An NGO has been engaged on Gurgaon-Amer Section of NH-8 for community based initiatives for reducing road accident mortality & morbidity. One of the objectives of the work is to generate awareness to sensitise community including villagers on the road accident issues and to form training groups with basis life saving techniques for rescue and timely help of road accident victims.

(d) NGO's are being encouraged to take up awareness programme on road safety. It is also proposed to engage consultants/NGOs to educate people residing along National Highways pertaining to Golden Quadrilateral on road safety issues as a part of Road Safety - Public Education programme with World Bank funding.