

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5945  
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TRAUMA CENTRES ALONG NHs  
Jai Prakash Shri ;Pathak Shri Brajesh

**Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Union Government proposed to open Trauma Centres along National Highways and provide cranes and ambulances under the National Highway Patrolling Scheme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the State Government of Uttar Pradesh has sent any scheme to the Union Government in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the National Highways selected under this scheme;
- (f) whether medical assistance being provided on National Highways is sufficient;
- (g) if not, whether the Government also proposes to provide Trauma Attendance Mobile Vehicle on National Highways to deal with accident cases; and
- (h) if so, the time by when this facility is likely to be made available?

**Answer**

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

(a)&(b) Under the National Highways Accident Relief Service Scheme, this Ministry provides cranes and ambulances to the State Government/Non-Governmental organizations for clearing accident site and evacuating accident victims to the nearest medical aid centre.

In addition to provision of Cranes and Ambulances by this Ministry, the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare also provides assistance to the States/UTs under the scheme of 'Assistance for Capacity Building' for upgradation of emergency services/trauma care facilities in Hospitals including those located near the National Highways for the purpose of treatment of accident victims.

(c)to(h) Provision of assistance in case of road accident is basically the responsibility of the State Government. This Ministry has no scheme to assist setting up of trauma care centres/facilities. Under the National Highways Accident Relief Service Scheme, 22 ambulances and 17 cranes have been provided to Police/Transport authorities/NGOs in Uttar Pradesh since 2000-01.