

## **Road Accidents in India**

According to data tabled by the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways in the Parliament, <u>road accidents</u> <u>in India</u> killed between 1.46 lakh and 1.5 lakh people every year between 2015 and 2017, which works out to a daily average of 400 or more deaths in each of the three years.

- The analysis was done for all roads, including national highways and expressways.
- Uttar Pradesh has the highest number of deaths in road accidents in each of the three years, followed by Tamil Nadu.
  - Together, these two states accounted for nearly one-fourth of all such deaths in the country in 2016 and 2017.
- It can also be noted that according to the Global Status Report on Road Safety 2018, released by the World Health Organization (WHO), road accidents are the eighth leading cause of death for all age groups surpassing HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and diarrhoeal diseases.

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