SNAP SHOTS - 2000

ACCIDENTAL DEATHS

♦ 1 Deaths by Accident reported in every 2 minutes as against 1 death in 3 minutes in 1990.
♦ 5.9 per cent decrease in Accidental Deaths over previous year.
  † 36.9 per cent decrease in deaths by natural causes,
  † 2.4 per cent decrease in deaths by un-natural causes.
♦ 20 per cent of all the Accidental Deaths in the country reported from Maharashtra State.
♦ On an average 62 deaths per lakh population in Goa, the highest rate for accidents compared to All-India rate of 25.5.
♦ 68 per cent (1264 out of 1863) deaths due to ‘Flood’ and 80 percent deaths (2108 out of 2634) due to ‘Fire arm’ Accidents were reported from Uttar Pradesh alone.
♦ 48 per cent deaths due to ‘Starvation/Thirst’, reported from Delhi.
♦ 60 per cent (30 out of 250) deaths due to ‘Stampede’ were from Gujarat state alone.
♦ 26 per cent of Road Accident victims were occupants of ‘Truck/Lorry’, Pedestrians constituted 37.7 per cent of victims on Delhi Roads.

SUICIDES

♦ 1 Suicide reported in every 5 minutes as against 1 suicide in 7 minutes in 1990.
♦ Three States, viz West Bengal (12.7%), Maharashtra (12.9%) and Karnataka (11.4%) constitute (37%) of suicide victims.
♦ 51 suicidal deaths per lakh of population reported from Pondicherry as against national average of 10.8.
♦ ‘Illness’ and ‘Family Problems’ each shared 21 percent of Suicides.
♦ 1 in every 3 suicide victims was a youth (15-29 years).
♦ The average male : female ratio of suicide victims was 61 : 39.
♦ 61 housewives, on an average committed suicide in a day in the country.
♦ 40 percent of suicides victims were self employed while only 9.0 percent were un-employed.
♦ Nearly 42 percent of suicide victims were married males while only 26 percent were married females.
♦ 26 percent of suicide victims had no education.
♦ 38 percent of the suicide victims consumed poison; 26 percent of the victims took to hanging.
♦ Bangalore city witnessed on an average 4.7 suicides per day.