Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

## Shri J P Nadda condoles loss of lives in accident due to massive landslide in Himachal Shri Nadda speaks to Shri Nitin Gadkari

## NHAI to include soil stabilization, land protection wall, zeo static and slope stabilization in DPRs for highways in Himachal

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Shri J P Nadda Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare condoled the loss of lives in the landslide related accidenton the Mandi-Pathankot National Highway 154 on Sunday, terming the mishap as "unfortunate and saddening". He also wished for speedy recovery of all those injured. Shri Nadda further stated that the government firmly stands with the families of the victims.

Shri J P Nadda expressed gratitude to the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji, for sending a team of National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) toMandi. He said that this has strengthenedthe rescue and relief operations at Mandi.

To prevent such mishaps in future Shri Nadda also spoke toShri Nitin Gadkari, Minister for Road Transport, Highways and Shippingand requested him to direct National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) to take necessary steps for averting such accidents. Accordingly, Shri Gadkari directed the NHAI to include soil stabilization, land protection wall, zeo static and slope stabilisation in all the DPRs for constructing national highways in Himachal Pradesh. He also directed NHAI to complete all the DPRs at the earliest.

Shri J P Nadda expressed gratitude to Shri Nitin Gadkariji and said that such initiatives will greatly help in reducing the accidents in future.

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