

# 426 people killed in August road accidents: Report

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**Online Desk:** At least 426 people were killed and 793 other injured in 441 road crashes across the country in last month. Of these, 171 motorcycle accidents claimed 168 lives and 149 injuries.

Of the total accidents, 38.77 per cent were motorcycle accidents, 39.43 percent of total fatalities and 18.78 percent of injuries respectively. Dhaka Division had the highest number of road accidents in August and 126 people were killed in 125 road accidents. The information was revealed through a press release signed by Mozammel Haque Chowdhury, Secretary General of Accident Monitoring Cell of Bangladesh Passengers' Welfare Association on Wednesday.

As many as 635 vehicles were identified in road accidents in August. In which, it was found that 28.34 per cent motorcycles, 22.20 per cent trucks-pickup-covered vans and lorries, 15.11 per cent buses, 17 per cent battery-run rickshaws and easy bikes, 5.98 per cent CNG-run auto-rickshaws, 4.56 per cent Nachiman-Karimon- Mahindra-Tractor and Laguna, 6.77 per cent Car-Jeep-Microbus fell in road accidents.

After analyzing accidents, it was found that 38.54 per cent of total accidents occurred on national highways, 21.08 per cent on regional highways, 31.06 per cent on feeder roads. Besides, 7.25 per cent of the total accidents occurred in Dhaka Metropolis, 1.13 per cent in Chittagong Metropolis and 0.90 per cent occurred at railway crossings across the country.