

Train hits killed 49 elephants in 3 years

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Environment Ministry provides numbers on wild animals killed in road and train accidents

- In 2016, the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MOEFCC) released 'Eco-friendly measures to mitigate impacts of linear infrastructure', an advisory document for mitigating human-animal conflicts.
- Despite this advisory, and many others issued by conservationists and organisations, deaths of wild animals in road and railway accidents have continued unabated.
- West Bengal and Assam together accounted for 37 out of the 49 deaths of elephants on train tracks across the country.

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