

# CHILD INJURY SITUATION IN INDIA

Child injuries are a growing public health problem in India with nearly **5,00,000** child deaths in the last decade



**60,000** Kids die in accidents every year



Injury deaths were more among children aged **15-18 years** (60% of all deaths)

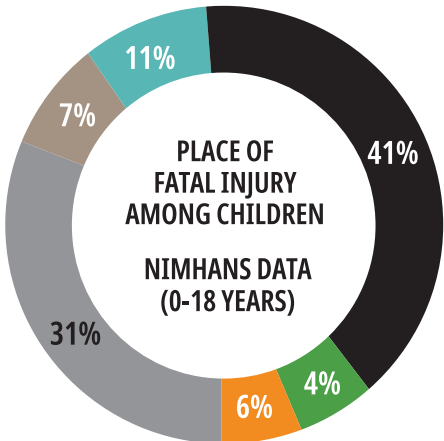
Children account for nearly **15%** of total injury deaths in India

More child injury deaths occur in rural areas than urban areas  
**58% vs. 33%**  
rural areas urban areas

Nearly **44%** of all child injury deaths occurred at site of injury, followed by **37%** in hospital **18%** during transit to hospital

Road crashes/accidents are the most common cause of child injury deaths in India  
**37-38%** of deaths among children aged **0-14 years**

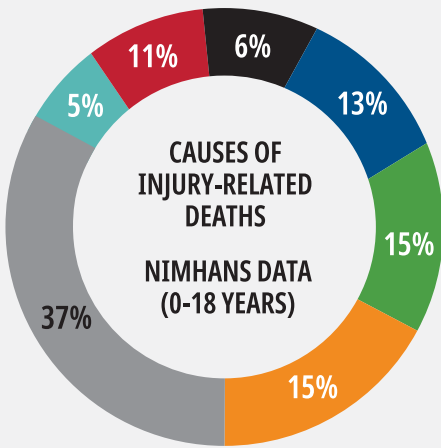
**62-64%** of deaths among children aged **14-18 years**



**10%** of injured children experience temporary functional limitations varying from one week to several months

About **2%** of children are left with permanent disability and

**12%** live with long term temporary disability (>6 weeks)



## SAFETY AT SCHOOLS IN BENGALURU AND KOLAR\*

Nearly **81%** schools have CCTV surveillance facility

**54%** schools have Anti-skid floor tiles

**17%** schools have roads which show school zone signage

**12%** schools have roads with speed limits displayed

**43%** school buses have CCTV

**08%** schools maintain fire log books, fire detectors & fire alarms

**65%** schools have school safety committee

**10%** schools maintain injury related health records

Half the child injury deaths can be averted with efficient trauma care systems.

SOURCE : ADVANCING CHILD SAFETY IN INDIA, A REPORT BY NIMHANS



\*As per data from a study conducted in 130 schools in Bangalore and Kolar.

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