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Haryana Road Safety Policy

1- Preamble-

Economic liberalization lead to the economic growth of the country which combined with worldwide advancements in the field of automobile technology, has led to a multi fold increase in vehicular traffic on the Indian roads. This tremendous increase in vehicular population in the last two decades has led to an alarming increase in the number of road accidents involving all categories of road users- pedestrians, motor- vehicle drivers and passengers. In Haryana nearly 11,000 accidents take place in the state annually and around four thousand people lose their lives in these road accidents. All accidents result in pain, grief and misery as well as economic loss. The promotion of Road Safety is therefore of utmost importance and the State of Haryana is committed to undertake measures needed to reduce the incidents of road accidents and to ensure safe travel for all road users. As such, it is necessary to formulate a comprehensive Road Safety Policy which envisages- Planning and Legislations related to Road Engineering, Traffic Management, Vehicle Regulations and Environment Protection, all of which form an integral part of Road Safety. Achieving a 50% reduction in fatalities and injuries by 2025, considering 2015 as the base year is our goal.

In order to achieve the above objective in its true spirit, an in-depth analysis of the factors affecting road safety will be undertaken. A coordinated and joint effort will be required from all the stake holders as well as citizens to achieve the unprecedented goals on Road Safety. Accordingly, specific Road Safety Action Plans will be formulated by the concerned Govt. Departments-Transport, Police, Public Works Department (B&R), Education and Medical & Health. Each Department will ensure appropriate action to give effect to the targets fixed in the Action Plans.

II Policy Statements

(i) Enhance awareness about Road safety issues-

The State Government plans to undertake concrete efforts to promote public awareness about the various aspects of Road Safety, through comprehensive

measures which include planning and promoting through different methods of Engineering, Enforcement, Education and Emergency care. The State will make efforts to promote awareness about the economic and social implications of road safety. The State will endeavour to control the number of accidents, number of deaths and number of injuries through various methods of Engineering, Enforcement, Education and Emergency care.

(ii) **Establish Road Safety Information Data-base-**

The Government will establish a State level Road Safety Information System to assist all stakeholders in accessing information related to road safety as well as monitoring all Road Safety related measures. It shall prepare a data base of all Registrations, Driving Licenses, permits to enable the enforcing agencies to keep a track of all traffic violators and consequent suspension of registrations, Licenses and Permits. It will help in identifying Accident Prone Points and Black Spots. It will help in taking remedial steps like traffic lights, speed breakers and road up gradation. It will also assist at the time of accidents by providing online information about Trauma centers and medical care centers and hospitals in the area to enable the concerned agencies in providing immediate medical assistance to accident victims. It will also provide information about post-accident care and rehabilitation centers in the State. To achieve this goal, it will seek the help and assistance of the Government of India as provided in the National Road Safety Policy.

(iii) **Enhance Safer Road Infrastructure-**

The Government will take conscious steps to promote planning and construction of well- designed roads both rural as well as urban as per the latest international standards to ensure safe travel. It will adopt an accident reduction strategy for identifying black spots on existing roads and installing speed breakers, traffic lights or redesigning roads at these spots; construction of subways, cyclist paths and pedestrian paths. It shall also undertake road improvement initiatives.

(iv) **Safer Vehicles-**

The road worthiness of vehicles is an important and preventive factor in Road Safety. Government will take steps to promote statutory periodic inspections as an essential check on the road-worthiness of all vehicles.