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State Road Safety Policy

I-Preamble-

- (i) The Government of Uttar Pradesh is highly concerned about the steep rise in the number of road accidents, injuries and fatalities in recent years. It is the ground reality that road accidents have now become a public health issue and the victims are mainly from poor sections of the society.
- (ii) Government of Uttar Pradesh recognizes that the road accidents involve roads, road users and motor vehicles so road safety demands a holistic approach. Government of U.P. feels that reduction in road accidents, injuries and fatalities is the joint responsibility of both State and Central Governments.
- (iii) In the light of this, Government of UP states its commitment to bring significant reduction in road accidents.

2- Policy statements-

(i) Awareness about Road Safety-

In order to achieve significant improvement in road safety, Government of U.P. will make serious efforts to promote the awareness about road safety problems, its social-and economic implications. It will facilitate various stakeholders of State for planning and promoting road safety. Awareness among citizens will enable them to treat it as important state problem.

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(ii) Strengthening Institutional Arrangements-

The Government will make effective institutional arrangement and shall create State Road Safety Fund with the objective of strengthening road safety and implementation of road safety measures in Uttar Pradesh.

(iii) Establish Road Safety Information Data-base-

The Government will establish a state level road safety information system. To achieve this goal, it will seek the help and assistance of Government of India as provided in national road safety policy.

(iv) Ensure Safe Road Infrastructure-

The Government will take steps to promote conscious planning for safe design of roads. Government will ensure that best practices should be incorporated in designing the roads. Government will adopt the accident reduction strategy for existing roads through black spots improvement programs.

(V) Safer Vehicles-

Government will take steps to promote statutory periodic inspection as an essential check on the road-worthiness of all vehicles. Government will take stringent measures to improve the air quality emitting from vehicular pollution.

(Vi) Safe Drivers-

Government will encourage the provision of infrastructure development for driver training. Government will also make efforts to improve manpower both quantitatively and qualitatively

in order to test and evaluate the driving skills of all applicants for driving license.

(Vii) Safety for Vulnerable Road Users-

The design and construction of all road (rural and urban) will take into account the need of non- motorized Transport and physically challenged person in appropriate manner.

(Viii) Road Safety Education and Training-

Government will take steps to create awareness regarding road safety amongst population through education, training and publicity campaigns. Road safety may be made the integral part of syllabus for school children and college going students. Government will encourage the professional as well as NGOs to actively participate in road safety programs. It will cover both urban and rural areas.

(iX) Enforcement of Traffic Laws-

Government will seek to improve the quality of traffic enforcement and respond positively to Union Governments initiatives. Government will take appropriate steps to ensure that the enforcement agencies are adequately manned, trained and equipped to carry out their functions.

(X) Emergency Medical Assistance to Road Accident Victims-

The State Government will make its earnest effort to ensure that persons involved in road accidents benefit from speedy and effective trauma care and health management. The essential functions of such services would include the provision of rescue operation including pre medical care, first aid at site of accident, transportation of victim to appropriate hospital.