

### 11. ENSURING SAFE DRIVERS AND SETTING UP OF DRIVER TRAINING, TESTING AND LICENSING CENTERS

- The Government would strengthen the system of driver licensing and training to improve the competence and capability of drivers.
- In each district driver training and testing centers would be planned and developed in a phased manner. -

### 12. ENSURING SAFETY OF VULNERABLE ROAD USERS

- Take into account the needs of non-motorized transport, pedestrians, vulnerable and physically challenged.
- To disseminate "best practices" in this regard.

### 13. STRENGTHENING INSTITUTIONAL AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES FOR ROAD SAFETY WORKS

- Institutional and financial environments for road safety works are further strengthened.
- Extensive participation of the community at large, private sector, academic institutions, NGOs and road safety activities.
- Newer sources for generating financial resources for road safety works.
- To provide enough financial resources for road safety activities under respective Departments.
- Lakshadweep Administration would also properly supplement the Departmental efforts in funding road safety works.

### 14. IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

- Implement the Road Safety Policy and Action Plan.
- Review of role and activities of Lakshadweep Road Safety Authority.
- Strengthen the effectiveness of LRSA and amend the LRSA Act as per the need.

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(ADMINISTRATOR)

To

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5. PA to Honorable Administrator / Collector /Secretary (Road Transport)

## **5. ROAD SAFETY EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

- Road Safety Education would be made a part of the school curriculum.
- Production of education material for school children, teacher's guide and teacher training programmes.
- Road safety publicity campaigns
- All professionals associated with road design, road maintenance, traffic management, traffic enforcement etc. to attain adequate knowledge of road safety issues.
- Road safety community programs at Panchayat, school neighborhood area, work centers, etc

## **6.. ENSURING SAFE ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE**

- Specific sections on "Safety at road Works" would be incorporated.
- Road Safety Auditing of existing roads and new roads.
- The provision of cycle tracks.
- Accident prone Locations would be identified and improved in phased manner for all important roads in the State.

## **7. TRAFFIC LEGISLATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF TRAFFIC LAWS**

- The Police and MVD engaged in traffic law enforcement are to enhance their operational efficiency with in the current legislation and identify additional legislations amendments needed.
- Introduction of graduated licensing system and hazard perception test for driving license candidates will be explored and adopted.

## **8. EMERGENCY MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO CRASH VICTIMS**

- A plan would be developed to strengthen the emergency medical services including communication, transportation, on the spot medical aid, new trauma care centers, rehabilitation centers etc.
- Hospitals would be adequately equipped to provide for trauma care and rehabilitation.

## **9. UP GRADATION OF VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARDS AND TESTING PROCEDURE**

- A review of current vehicle testing system, standards and practice.
- Training programmes for police and staff of Motor Vehicle Department on road side vehicle inspection.
- To implement an effective, professional and well resourced vehicle testing centre and issuance of fitness certificate.
- Legal provisions for safer use of different types of vehicles including school buses, heavy vehicles and vehicles carrying hazardous materials.

## **10. STRENGTHENING OF TRAFFIC POLICE AND MVD, AND IMPROVING LAW ENFORCEMENT**

- To improve quality of enforcement to ensure effective and uniform implementation of safety laws.

## **KEY ACTION AREAS OF ROAD SAFETY POLICY**

1. Coordination and Management.
2. Crash Data Collection and Management System.
3. Sensitization of stakeholders and Raising Awareness about Road Safety Issues.
4. Road Safety Publicity and Campaigns.
5. Road Safety Education and Training.
6. Ensuring Safer Road Infrastructure.
7. Traffic Legislations and Enforcement of Traffic Laws.
8. Emergency Medical Assistance to Crash Victims
9. Upgrading of Vehicle Safety Standards and Testing Procedure
10. Strengthening of Traffic Police, MVD and Improving Law Enforcement
11. Ensuring Safer Drivers and Setting up of Driver Training, Testing and Licensing Centers
12. Ensuring safety of Vulnerable Road Users
13. Strengthening Institutional and Financial Resources for Road Safety works
14. Implementation Strategy

### **1. COORDINATION AND MANAGEMENT**

- Department of Road Transport has been entrusted with the task of coordination and management of road safety activities in the State.
- Suitable steps would be taken to further enhance the inter-departmental coordination at District and Panchayat levels.
- District road safety committees would be strengthened.
- A group of volunteers would be created at "Community Levels" to assist accident victims.

### **2. CRASH DATA COLLECTION AND MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**

- Lakshadweep administration has entrusted all Police Stations in islands for collection and report of crash data.
- Special need based surveys would be conducted to supplement this.
- Accident data from insurance companies, Motor Accident Claims Tribunal (MACT), Hospitals/Trauma care centers and other sources would be collected

### **3. SENSITIZATION OF STAKEHOLDERS AND RAISING AWARENESS ABOUT ROAD SAFETY ISSUES**

- To raise awareness about the various issues of road safety including social, economical and human suffering implications of road accidents.
- Sensitize all the stakeholders about what needs to be done to curb the menace of road accidents.

### **4. ROAD SAFETY PUBLICITY AND CAMPAIGNS**

- Key unsafe behavioral elements of road safety such as not using helmet! seatbelt, dangerous overtaking, over speeding, etc.
- Public Safety Campaign would be launched for mass education on these issues.
- Publicity campaigns would be scientifically designed and investigative studies would be conducted

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F.No. 08/09/2016-RTO

dated 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2018.

**NOTIFICATION**

As per the directives of Hon'ble Supreme Court order dated 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 on Writ Petition (Civil) No. 295 of 2012, the Administrator of Union Territory of Lakshadweep is pleased to notify this Lakshadweep Road Safety Policy – 2018, to ensure accident free Lakshadweep.

**LAKSHADWEEP ROAD SAFETY POLICY – 2018**

**PREAMBLE**

Union Territory of Lakshadweep is the smallest territory of the Indian Union. Lakshadweep is a group of 36 tiny coral islands and islets randomly scattered in the Arabian Sea at a distance of about 287 to 483 km off the west coast of Kerala. These islands are geographically isolated from mainland as well as from one another by deep sea and are at an average distance of 60 to 300 Kms. These islands are very small in land area having 0.01 to 4.84 square Kms. Out of 36 islands 10 islands are inhabited. There are only small roads within the inhabited islands. The total length of roads in all of these 10 islands is only 206 kilometers with a width of 3 meters. There are no National Highways or State Highways or major roads in these islands.

This group of 36 islands is known for its exotic and sun-kissed beaches and lush green landscape and clean environment. There were very few numbers of motor vehicles available in the Islands till last decade and there were no reported accidents in the Islands. However in the recent past, the numbers of vehicles has been increasing at an alarming rate coupled with increase in reported accidents and even a death in 2016. The level of pollution also started raising and it has caused the charm and purity of a naturally rich and clean environment to diminish.

In this context and on the directives of Hon'ble Supreme Court order dated 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 on Writ Petition (Civil) No. 295 of 2012, the Administration of Union Territory of Lakshadweep has feel the need to formulate this Road Safety Policy which is comprehensive and addresses all related issues that need to be acted upon in this regard.

**Vision**

The Vision of the Lakshadweep Administration is a safe road network for all road users and to achieve zero road accident and pollution free Lakshadweep by 2020.



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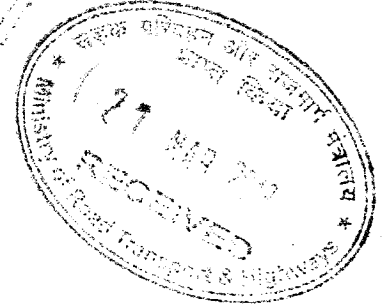
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Sub: UTL- Road Transport- Constitution of Road Safety Policy- Submitted:

Ref:1. Letter No. 28/2014/CoRS/Vol.IV dated 20.12.2017 from Secretary,  
Supreme Court Committee on Road Safety, New Delhi.

2. F.No. RT-25039/3/2016-RS dated 02.01.2018 of Under Secretary,  
MoRTH, New Delhi.

Sir,

Kindly refer the orders above. As per the direction of Supreme Court Committee on Road Safety, the Union Territory of Lakshadweep has formulated a Road Safety Policy in Lakshadweep on 30.01.2018. Copy of the Policy is submitted for kind perusal.

Yours Faithfully,

(Reuben Mathew Jacob)  
Secretary (Road Transport)

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