



## Safety harness, helmet to be compulsory for small children riding pillion on two-wheelers

In a draft notification, the Union Ministry of Road Transport & Highways has said that a "safety harness shall be used for attaching the child to the driver of the motorcycle." This applies to children from the age of 0-4, it read. Apart from safety harnesses, the government also plans to make crash helmets mandatory. Earlier, children below the age of four weren't considered as senior passengers. The notification also restricts the speed of two-wheelers while travelling with children to 40 kmph. Extract: Crash helmet: The driver shall ensure that the child pillion passenger aged between 09 months and 4 years must wear his/her own crash helmet which fits his/her head or wear bicycle helmet complying with [ASTM 1447]/ [European (CEN)BS EN 1080/BS EN 1078] till such time that the specifications are prescribed by the Bureau of Indian Standards under the Bureau of Indian Standards Act 2016. Refer: MoRTH notification G.S.R. 758 (E) 21 October 2021

### Quick News

#### Launch of the Global Plan for Road Safety

Remarks by H.E. Mr. Abdulla Shahid, President of the 76th session of the United Nations General Assembly, New York, October 28, 2021

Safe, Affordable and Sustainable transport for everyone by 2030.



According to the newly launched initiative, faster progress on AI is vital to make this happen, especially in low and middle-income countries, where the most lives are lost on the roads each year. According to the WHO, approximately 1.3 million people die annually as a result of road traffic crashes. Between 20 and 50 million more suffer non-fatal injuries, with many incurring a disability. AI can help in different ways, including better collection and analysis of crash data, enhancing road infrastructure, increasing the efficiency of post-crash response, and inspiring innovation in the regulatory frameworks. This approach requires



equitable access to data and the ethical use of algorithms, which many countries currently lack, leaving them unable to identify road safety solution.

#### Extended Headlights mounted on vehicles removed in Africa by Police with the help of NGO's (Images)

Restrict dazzling headlights on vehicles. But no major crackdown has begun in India and violations continue. Laws are in place, but Local Authorities or Police or Government are not much interested. A movement has to be created by Public Awareness programs and strict Enforcement.



#### Odisha (India) govt creates INR 147 cr fund for immediate treatment of road accident victims

With an aim to save lives, Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik on 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov, 2021 announced the creation of a fund of INR 147 crores for bearing the cost of immediate treatment of the people injured in road accidents. Expressing concern over the deaths due to road accidents in the state, the Chief Minister at the distribution ceremony of smart health cards, under the Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana, said, "If immediate medical care is provided, many precious lives could be saved. The state government has, therefore, created a fund of Rs 147 crore for immediate treatment of the injured." Patnaik, further said that the fund has been created because providing medical treatment in the first 48 hours of the accident is essential for saving lives.



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## CASE STUDY - I – Skidding



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**Alert!**

**Background:** Telugu (Tollywood) actor Sai Dharam Tej, suffered injuries during a road accident in Sep 2021, while he was riding his bike in Hyderabad, India. CCTV footage near the mishap site showed that the actor suddenly lost control over the bike and at a high speed. He attempted to change lanes from the extreme right to the adjacent left lane. **Problem: Human Error:** 2W on speed, changed lanes unexpectedly, due to speed and road condition resulted in serious injury. **Road errors:** Road widens 2 Lane to 3 Lanes, Due to construction works and Rains, sand accumulates on the last lane/ Road edges. Vehicle skids when the grip between tyres and mother earth decreases. **Key Learnings:** As Visibility decreases, decrease your speed, try to drive a vehicle which is comfortable to you, select a 2W as per our body size, height, weight. Observation-Anticipating and Reaction are the 3 major parts to learn. (After more than one month of hospitalization released this month).



## CASE STUDY – II – Effects of Speed

by Dheerendra Samineni

**Background:** Miss South India, former Miss Kerala Ansi Kabeer and runner-up Dr. Anjana Shajahan (were in twenties) killed in car crash in Kochi's Vytilla, Kerala, both the models died on the spot after the car in which they were travelling swerved to avoid hitting a 2W and instead rammed into a tree. The accident took place near Chakkaraparambu on the Vytilla-Edappally stretch of the NH66 in the wee hours. Their car was disfigured beyond repair. Two men who were travelling with the models to Thrissur after wrapping up a photo shoot in Kochi are under treatment at Ernakulam Medical Centre hospital in Palarivattom. One of the injured is reportedly in a critical condition. **Problem:** Driver was speeding on a highway and smashed into a tree, lost control trying to dodge a scooter in its way although the riders were hit and suffered minor injuries. In Kerala or coastal areas not an easy task to overtake due to property area close to road edges. **Key Learnings:** Speed is one of the biggest contributions to any incident. Even the world's first pedestrian killed in 1896 due to speed, I can say the Traffic Virus where it started. When speed increases, we cannot anticipate the other road users (Due to funnel vision). So, let's keep the speed below 30km when traffic is mixed with non-Motorised and slow-moving vehicles, always expect the unexpected.



### The WORLD History

#### Bicycle Law & License

Image: Cycle Lic. dated 1966 (India)

**Bicycle law varies** from country to country, but in general, cyclists' right to the road has been enshrined in international law since 1968, with the accession of the Vienna Convention on Road Traffic. Under that treaty, bicycles have the legal status of vehicles, and cyclists enjoy the legal status of vehicle operators. There are over 150 contracting parties to the treaty, including the USA, UK, Canada, Mexico, Ireland, almost all of Europe, Australia, New Zealand, Japan and China. In countries that are contracting parties, the treaty has the force of law, and its provisions have been incorporated into national law.

## Road Safety Education: Flashing Signals

**Traffic control signals** are devices placed along, besides, or above a roadway to guide, warn, and regulate the flow of traffic, which includes motor vehicles, motorcycles, bicycles, pedestrians, & other road users.

**FLASHING RED**—A flashing red signal light means exactly the same as a stop sign: STOP! After stopping, proceed when safe and observe the right-of-way rules. **Example:** Merging traffic, Joining from Minor to Major Road and Near Level Crossing's.



**FLASHING YELLOW**— What does A flashing yellow light means? A flashing yellow signal light warns you to be careful. Slow down and be especially alert. **Example:** Travelling on Main roads were passing side roads or By-Lanes, and near Gap-In-Medians.



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