Road Safety in Nepal

Development of Road Safety Management System

"Crash risk is the product of exposure, probability and severity"

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Parking on highway

- Hitting by an ambulance
- Falling from a jeep's door
- Pavement damaged in 8 months of construction Treatment system ready at the black spot

Blocking traffic at the middle of the road to educate!

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Road Crash Problem

- Crash = f (several components of road traffic system)
 = f (human factor x vehicular factor x road environment factor)
- 2. Crash risk = exposure x probability x severity
- 3. Public problem: public sector is essential... private sector can contribute but can not do all
- 4. 3E problem: Engineering x Education x Enforcement
- 5. Localised problem: globally, internationally, nationally, regionally and locally
- 6. Dynamic problem: changes over time

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Road Crash Problem

- 7. Shared problem: can only be solved by sharing the responsibility
- 8. Evidence based problem: data is essential (statistical analysis and probability --- not fundamental mathematical equations)
- 9. Human-based problem: difficult to predict
- 10. Can be reduced but difficult to eliminate
- 11. We all make mistakes.... we need to design SAFE SYSTEM to forgive those mistakes
- 12. Safer people, safer vehicles, safer roads and safer speeds

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Road Crash Problem

- □ Road safety management is a <u>complex, integrated, dynamic</u> <u>and multi-dimensional problem</u>
- ☐ Improvement in road safety requires actions on several fronts:
 - engineering and social science
 - education and public awareness
 - · law and enforcement
 - health and emergency services, and
 - · media and publicity campaigns

Just to name a few



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- Actions on multiple fronts are required in a complex environment often with conflicting and competing interests
- ☐ A <u>well-coordinated and concerted effort</u> from all agencies working on these fronts is essential

Road safety is a shared responsibility. Every member of society can contribute to improve road safety.

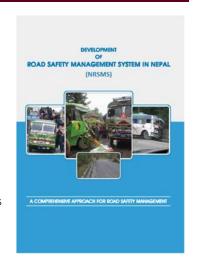


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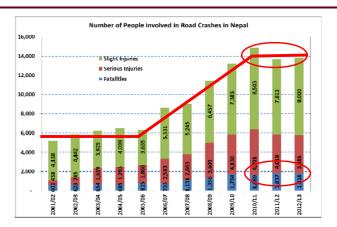
☐ The BIG PICTURE

- Development of Nepal Road Safety Management System
 - Component 1: Database System
 - Component 2: Governance & Planning
 - Component 3: Pre-crash (Crash Prevention) Systems
 - Component 4: Post-crash (Management) System
 - Component 5: Crash Investigation System
 - Component 6: Road Safety Analysis & Research
- □ Concluding remarks





Road Safety Management System in Nepal: Context



Approximately 5 people are killed, 11 people are seriously injured and 22 people are slightly injured in about 25 road crashes every day on Nepalese roads (1:2:4:5 ratios) (These figures may be underestimated... some studies have suspected more than double these figures)

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Road Safety Management System in Nepal: Context

- ☐ The reduction in road trauma was <u>not a key national objective</u> and road safety was <u>not considered as a major strategic area</u> in Nepal for a long time......
- ☐ Interests have, however, increased <u>significantly during the last few years</u> in line with the UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020
 - Nepal Government's National Road Safety Strategy 2013-2020 & National Road Safety Council (NRSC)
 - World Bank's Road safety support project (Global Road Safety Facility (GRSF) grant of US\$ 7.5million) (DOR)
 - Capacity strengthening (NRSC, legislations, pilots) and improved physical safety of RSDP roads
 - Nepal India Regional Trade and Transport Project (NIRTTP)'s Road transport safety and axle load control project (financed under the World Bank) (DOTM)
 - the legislative aspects, vehicular aspects, public awareness and road users

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Road Safety Management System in Nepal: Context

- iRAP Star Rating System- ADB (being performed? completed 400km?)
- 5. Development of Crash Database System (CDS) in Nepal (?)
- 6. DOTM Activities (Adhikari, 2013):
 - revised drivers' curriculum and driving tests
 - established vehicle fitness test centre and revised route permits
- 7. DOR Activities (SRN Road Safety):
 - Road Safety Unit, Road Design Standards
- 8. DOLIDAR Activities (LRN Road Safety, RAP3):
 - NRSAS LRN Road Safety Action Plan 2013-15
- 9. Traffic Police Activities

And the list goes on...



Road Safety Management System in Nepal: Context

- ☐ In spite of these activities, recent publications regarding road safety situation in Nepal have listed the following issues:
 - 1. primary national focus on expanding road access to a greater number of districts,
- lack of adequate institutional arrangements and legal frameworks for road safety.
- 3. lack of proper safety-related technical frameworks and policy documents,
- 4. lack of cooperation and coordination among fragmented road safety organisations,
- 5. insufficient funding and inefficient funding arrangements for road safety,
- inadequate national standards for transport infrastructure design, construction and maintenance.
- lack of proper actions on crash prevention system (driver licencing, public education, vehicle testing, law enforcement etc.),
- 8. lack of proper after-crash management system
- 9. inadequate data collection, management, analysis and reporting system,
- 10. lack of proper scientific research on road safety countermeasures, and
- 11. lack of proper National Road Safety Strategies: formulation, implementation & evaluation



Road Safety Management System in Nepal: Context



दुर्घटनाको कारण साँघुरो बाटो र क्षमता बढि यात्र छतिवन बस दुर्घटनाको प्रारम्भिक अध्ययन

This is the time to think BIG!

भर्खरका डाड दर्घटनाः केशव अधिकारी

असोज २८ (सेतोपाटी) -सोमबारसाँझ

चालक चन्द्रबहादर तामाङ प्रकाउ परेका छन।

सडकको अवस्था हेन्स्यौ र घाईतेहरुसँग पनि कुराकानी गन्दयौ। सरसतीं हेदां दुर्घटना हनुमा अन्य कारण देखिँदैन' उनले भने-'हामीले अध्ययन गरेका छाँ। प्रतिवेदनमा अरु थप कारण पनि आउन

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Road Safety Management System in Nepal: Components

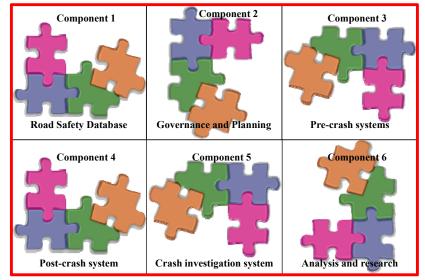
- ☐ Component 1: Road safety database system
 - Population, vehicle, drivers, traffic, roads and crashes
- Component 2: Governance & planning
 - Institutional, funding, legal and technical frameworks
 - Road safety evaluation and improvement process
 - Road safety strategies
- Component 3: Pre-crash (crash prevention) systems
 - Safer road users: road use rules, driver licensing system, public awareness and education campaigns, law enforcement
 - Safer speeds: speed limits and speed management system
 - Safer vehicles: crashworthiness/roadworthiness (vehicle inspection and maintenance)
 - Safer roads: road design and maintenance, traffic control devices, road safety audit, roadside hazard management
- ☐ Component 4: Post-crash (management) system
 - · Emergency response and treatments
- Component 5: Crash investigation system
 - · Road crash investigation, data collection, coding and recording
- Component 6: Road safety research and development
 - Crash data analysis and countermeasure development

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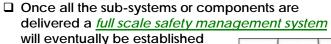
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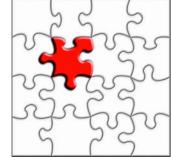
- ☐ The system needs to be developed <u>in stages</u>
- ☐ Each component of the system can be developed concurrently and mostly independently



■ Example:

Start from WHOLE to PARTS Fit together the PARTS to make the WHOLE **Identify** the missing PARTS Complete the WHOLE







Road Safety Management System in Nepal: Timeframe

- Start NOW (assemble all on-going road safety activities)
- ☐ Do low-cost high-benefit project activities (0-5 years)
 - · Nil to smaller funds
- ☐ Do medium term projects (5-10 years)
 - Small to medium-sized funds
- ☐ Do longer term projects (>10 years)
 - Large funds
- ☐ Develop full system (20 years)
- ☐ Improve the system (continuous)



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Road Safety Management System in Nepal: Little Bit about progresses

- A team of national and international road safety experts and academics have been tentatively formed (aiming to update as required)
- ☐ The team wants to contribute to the community it belongs
- ☐ The team has worked voluntarily up until now
- □ An independent not-for-profit business entity to authenticate the team's activities has been registered in Australia
 - Sustainable Transport and Traffic Solutions (STTS)
- □ The team aims to work closely with Nepalese Road Safety Authorities and Stakeholders (including interested international bodies)
- Organized workshops to collect and incorporate views and opinions

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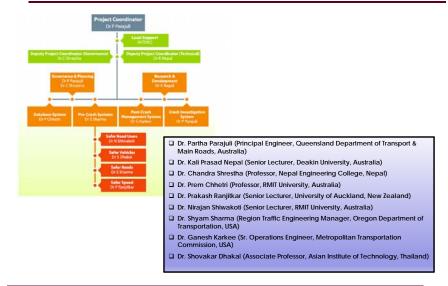


Road Safety Management System in Nepal: Little Bit about progresses

- BIG PICTURE proposal has been completed and submitted to Government of Nepal (just before Earthquake 2015)
 - 6 components
 - 32 projects
 - 137 short-term projects
- 'Project preparatory work proposal' has been submitted to the Government of Nepal
- Work on crash database system has been ongoing (involvement of various organizations)
- 'Road safety audit' training programs are under preparation (involvement of various organizations)



Team Structure/Responsibilities





Component 1: Database System Nepal Road Safety Divisions (NRSD)

- ☐ The challenges posed by road safety are different for different regions or for different types of roads of Nepal
- □ Are the administrative boundaries (or SRN/LRN responsibility) enough for road safety management system?
- Should we develop separate Nepal road safety divisions (NRSD) specifically for road safety in Nepal?
- Urban & Rural road safety?

Project 2.1 Development of Nepal Road Safety Divisions (NRSD) [Component C1: Nepal Road Safety Information Management (NRSIM) and Database System]

- To develop Nepal Road Safety Divisions (NRSD)

- Develop (electronic) spatial database (such as GIS maps) system with a number of divisions (to be called 'Nepal Road Safety Divisions or NRSD') for the purpose of collating and consolidating all relevant data required for undertaking targeted road
- · The safety divisions can be based on geography (e.g., existing regional, zonal and district boundaries or a reduced similar) or types of roads (SRN or LRN) or traffic volume (low, medium or high) or a combination of them
- · Road-based database system is preferred when separate road safety authorities are responsible for different types of roads
- . Base maps of these divisions are to be developed
- 3. Reference to UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020
- Pillar 1: Road Safety Management (Activity 6: Data systems)
- 4. Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)
- . Pillar 1: Road Safety Management (not directly listed as activity) 5. Information Source:
- · Population census and administrative boundaries
- Road types: SRN or LRN
- . Government departments: DoTM, DoR and DoLIDAR
- Traffic Police (TP) and other information sources

- Spatial Nepal Road Safety Divisions (NRSD) and (electronic) database system

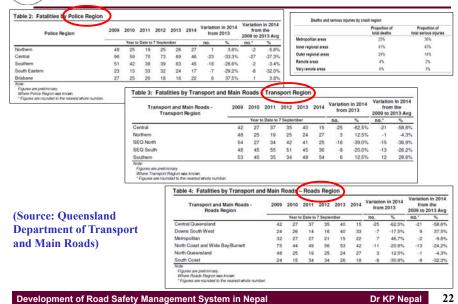
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Road Safety Divisions (NRSD): Example



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Component 1: Database System Population Database

Project 2.1 Development of Population Database

[Component C1: Nepal Road Safety Information Management (NRSIM) and Database System]

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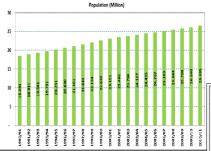
- To develop population database by Nepal Road Safety Divisions (NRSD)
- - · Develop computerised database (such as GIS maps) system that collate population data by Nepal Road Safety Divisions (NRSD) (Create Base Population Data).
 - Time series and disaggregated (personal and socioeconomic characteristics) population data showing historical growths and future projections would be an
- 3. Reference to UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020

4. Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)

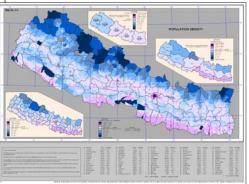
- Pillar 1: Road Safety Management (Activity 6: Data systems)
- Pillar 1: Road Safety Management (not directly listed as activity)
- 5. Information Source:
 - · Nepal Road Safety Divisions (NRSD)
 - Administrative Boundaries
 - Population Census
- · Spatial and disaggregated (electronic) population database







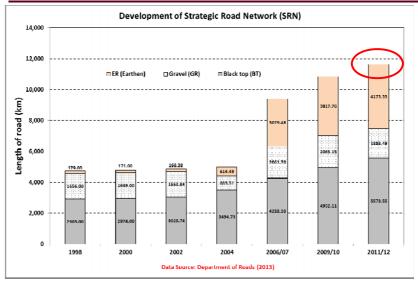
(Source: Central Bureau of Statistics, 2011)



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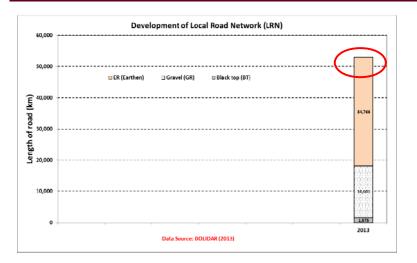
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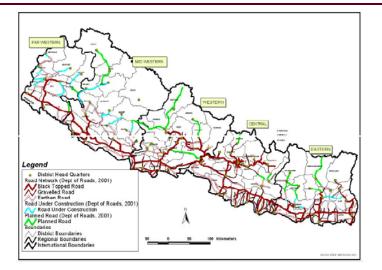
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Transportation Network in Nepal



(Source: Department of Roads, online)

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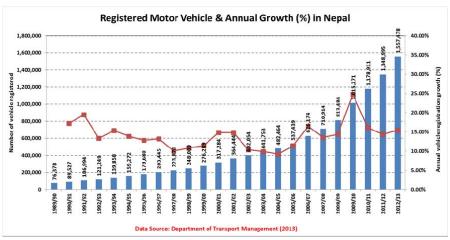
Component 1: Database System Road Inventory and Traffic Stream Database

[Component C1: Nepal Road Safety Information Management (NRSIM) and · Road inventory database: Develop (electronic) database (GIS maps) tha collate/consolidate strategic and local road network (SRN and LRN). Create base road network map starting from strategic roads of national, then regional and local significance gradually incorporating entire road network. Time series and shoulder, sight distance, road signs, line markings, safety barriers and othe roadside furniture etc. that have impact on road safety outcomes) data showing historical changes and future projections would be an added benefit. Where spec limits are not sign posted, implement the system of doing so and keep records o these as and when implemented. Traffic stream database: Develop and implem (AADT, composition, intersection turning movements, pedestrian movements) and speeds (posted speed limits, spot speeds, space speeds) collection and storage (GIS maps) system (permanent counters at strategic locations and temporary counters as per specific need) to create traffic stream database using appropriate vehicle detection technologies (loop, video, P2P vehicle detection). Com information and gradually expand to all road elements. 3. Reference to UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020 Activity 1: Road Safety Management (Activity 6: Data systems) . Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020) Pillar 1: Road Safety Management (not directly listed as activity) Nepal road safety divisions or NRSD Government departments: DoTM, DoR and DoLIDAR . Some inventory data may need to be collected, as and when necessary

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Vehicle Registrations and Annual Changes



☐ There is no system of recording the aging vehicles which are phased out or scrapped (Government of Nepal, 2013)

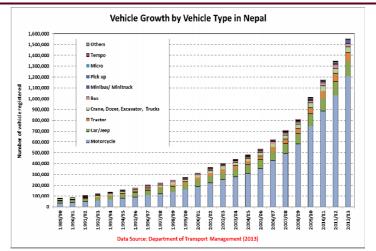
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Vehicle Registrations and Annual Changes



☐ There has been high growth-rate for motorcycles and light vehicles (car/jeep) in recent years

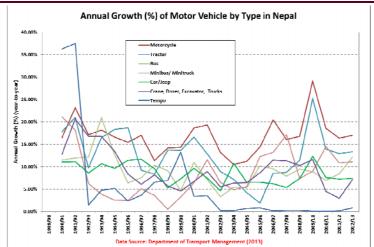
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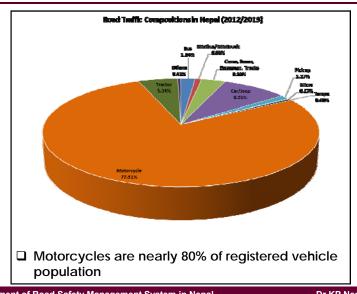
Vehicle Registrations and Annual Changes



☐ Motorcycles growth rate is consistently higher than other modes

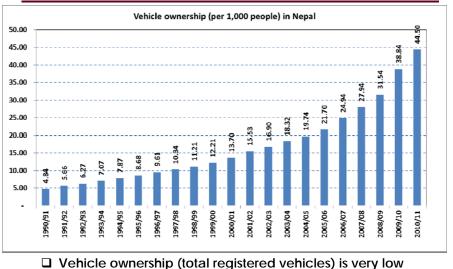
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Vehicle Registration





Vehicle Registration/Ownership



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Vehicle/Driver Registration

14. Motor vehicle to be registered: (1) A person, firm or company purchasing a motor vehicle or importing it from abroad or an agent selling or distributing a motor vehicle shall get the motor vehicle registered with the competent authority no later than fifteen days after the date of bringing it into Nepal upon paying customs duty.

(2) No one shall ply or cause to be plied any motor vehicle without getting it registered pursuant to Sub-section (1).

28. Records of motor vehicle to be maintained: The competent authority shall cause the details of each motor vehicle registered pursuant to this Act, including the name and address of owner, date of registration, and registration number, of the motor vehicle, name of motor vehicle manufacturer, model, year, engine number, chassis number, type and weight of the motor vehicle to be clearly mentioned in the register and maintain records of motor vehicles in an updated manner. The photograph of the owner of the motor vehicle must also be affixed on the concerned page of such a register.

66. Renewal of driving license: (1) A driving license shall have to be renewed within three months from the date of expiration of the period mentioned in the license pursuant to Sub-section (3) of Section 54.

Motor Vehicles and Transport Management Act, 2049 (1993)

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Component 1: Database System Vehicle Registration/Ownership & Driver Licences

Project 2.1 Development of Road Vehicle and Driver Database

[Component C1: Nepal Road Safety Information Management (NRSIM) and Database System]

1. Objective:

To develop (electronic) vehicle and driver database system

2. Description

- Vehicle registration and maintenance database: Develop (electronic) database system that collates up-to-date records of vehicle registration (types, purchases, transfers, inspections, maintenance and write-offs etc) (it is being developed by DoTM with funding from WB/ADB – provide international best practice advice for ongoing maintenance of the system being developed)
- Driver database: Develop (or improve) drivers' licensing database system (registration, cancellations, infringements etc)
- Note: Some of these data requirements should be made compulsory by law and should be consistent with the internationally accepted standards

3. Reference to UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020

Pillar 1: Road Safety Management (Activity 6: Data systems)

4. Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)

Pillar 1: Road Safety Management (not directly listed as activity)

5. Information Source: • Government des

- Government departments (DoTM)
- Traffic Police

6. Outcome

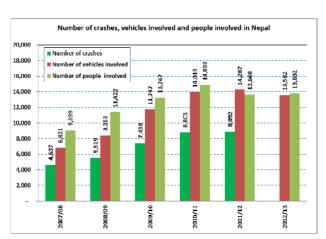
Detailed (electronic) road vehicle and driver database



Nepal Road Crash Statistics

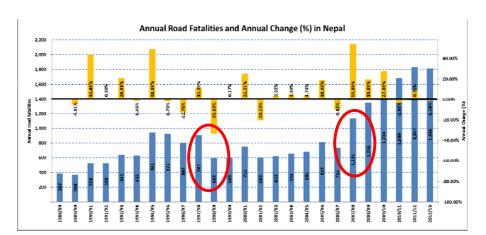
- ☐ There seems to be confusion across different data sources regarding:
 - the number of crashes
 - number of vehicles involved
 - number of people involved

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Nepal Road Crash Statistics



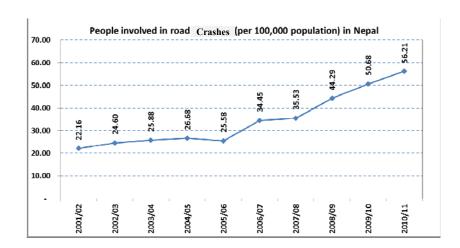
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Nepal Road Crash Statistics



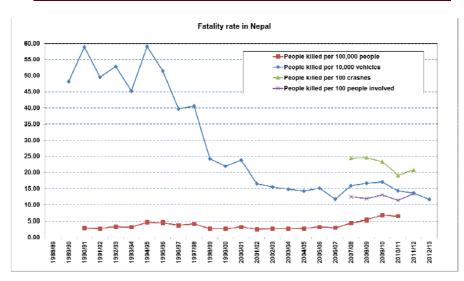
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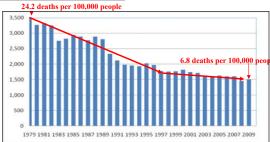
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Road Crash Statistics: Australian Example

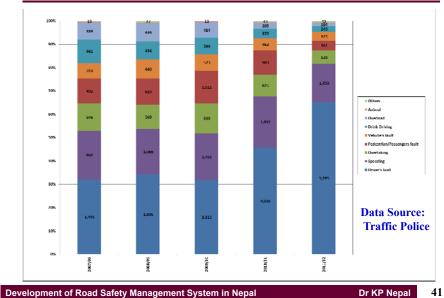




Source: National Road Safety Strategy 2011-2020, Australia



Nepal Road Crash Statistics





Component 1: Database System Nepal Road Crash Database for Public Use





Access CrashStats

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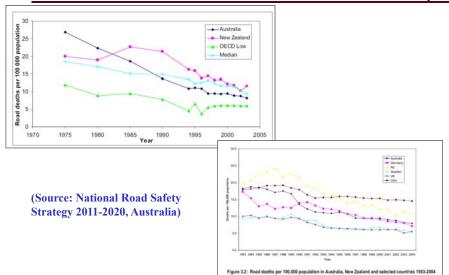
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Monitoring Road Safety Progress: Australian Example



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Component 1: Database System Safety Information Management System

☐ Explore options to strengthen Nepal Road Safety Information Management System (NRSIMS)





Component 2: Governance & Planning **Institutional Framework**

- Who are involved in managing road safety in Nepal now? (National Road Safety Council?)
 - · Department of Roads (DoR) for Strategic Road Network (SRN)
 - DoLIDAR for Local Road Network (LRN)
 - · Roads Board Nepal (note: does not specify categories of roads)
 - · Department of Transport Management (database?)
 - Traffic Police (law enforcement)

Project 3.1 Development of Institutional Framework for Road Safety Management in Nepal

(Component C2: Governance and Planning)

- To develop a comprehensive organisational structure for road safety in Nepal . To ensure that there is a robust institutional framework to support the
- development and sustained implementation of the proposed Road Safety Management System
- To develop leadership and commitment to road safety in Nepa
- . Undertake review of existing institutional arrangements for road safety management system with the objective of identifying institutional vacuum
- Develop an effective and efficient institutional framework and organisational structure (national, regional and local levels) for road safety management in Nepal nsidering both existing system and international best practices
- The system should specify responsibilities, accountabilities, liabilities and duty of care of all levels of the organisational structure
- Establishment of an independent and all powerful Nepal Road Safety Con which brings together all parties and activities being done and expected to be done in road safety areas in Nepal may be an option. Legal provisions should be made to inform the Commission of any road safety activities in Nepal. Composition of the Commission needs to be carefully worked out.
- Reference to UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020
- Pillar 1: Road Safety Management (Activity 2: Lead Agency)
- 1. Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)
- . Pillar 1: Road Safety Management (Activity A(1): Establish the National Road Safety Council with sweeping authority, Activity A(2): Train stakeholders]
- Pillar 4: Safer Road Users (Activity D(7): Establish road safety units in the DoTM)
- and institutional development of the Traffic Police] Pillar 5: Post-crash Response [Activity E(7): Establish road safety unit in the MoHP
- and institutionally enhance it1
- National existing arrangements
- International best practices
- Robust institutional arrangements for road safety in Nepal

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Component 2: Governance & Planning **Funding Framework**

■ What is the current funding model?

- ☐ What is the best funding model for Nepal?
- □ Can we have sufficient funding?

Project 3.1 Development of Funding Framework for Road Safety in

(Component C2: Governance and Planning)

- To develop a funding framework (model) for comprehensive road safety.
- . To ensure that there is a robust funding framework to support the development and sustained implementation of the proposed Road Safety Management System in Nepal

. Description:

- Undertake review of existing funding arrangements (revenue and expenditu streams) for implementing road safety measures with a view to identifying funding gaps and develop potential options for generating road safety funds to support th implementation of engineering (infrastructure based) and non-engineering (non infrastructure based) measures for improving road safety in Nepal.
- For example, fines from speeding tickets, parking tickets and other traffic, traffic infringements (drink driving, hooning and violation of any other road rules such as red light running) can go directly to Road Safety Fund created for the purpose of improving road safety.
- Red light cameras, permanent cameras, point to point speed cameras; portable cameras (camera detected offence program, a non-engineering based road safety measures) can be installed and used to improve road safety by detecting speeding motorists which will also provide much needed fund dedicated to improving road
- Develop a detailed funding framework and its institutional arrangements for comprehensive road safety initiatives
- Funding system should be based on road safety facts and figures
- . Reference to UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020 Pillar 1: Road Safety Management (Activity 5: Funding)
- 1. Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)
- Pillar 1: Road Safety Management (not directly listed as activity) 5 Information Source:
- National existing arrangements
- International best practices
- · Robust funding model for road safety and defined allocation of expenditure fo road safety programmes

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Funding Framework: New Zealand Example

Box 1: Management structure of road safety in New Zealand 3 New Zealand's Land Trans

charged with land transport safety at reasonable regional government, territorial local authorities cost and manages the government's interest in and communities to ensure effective joint working

is around US\$120 million per annum and comes land transport funding and pre from the National Roads Fund (41%), users of safety and sus motor vehicle registration and licensing fees and a fashion (Transport Legislation Bill 2004). ion of the excise duties levied on petrol, LPG Besides LTNZ, the Ministry of Trans

ture consists of five operational groups: Policy LTNZ or the Road Safety Trust.

and Planning, Partnerships and Programmes Regulatory Services, Corporate Services, and People and Culture. At the national level, LTSA Safety works collaboratively with the government trans-Authority (LTSA) was established. The LTSA reports port sector, the wider government sector, and to a Board appointed by the Governor-General on industry groups to develop practical land transport advice of the Minister of Transport. The LTSA is solutions. At the regional level, LTSA works with safety of the road network, the national vehicle relationships and to establish a common commitment to achievable transport solutions.

charges. Direct funding to the organization (LTNZ) was formed to take the responsibility fo the transport system (55%) and the Crown Agent Zealand and LTSA. The move was a result of a new (4%). The National Roads Fund (Transfund New transport strategy to improve the government's role Zealand) receives money from road user charges. to operate in a more integrated and collaborative

and CNG sales. Users of the transport system the Road Safety Trust that provides funding for provide revenue in the form of driver iscense fees. safety standard levies and fees, rail fees, and the received from the sale of personalized vehicle US\$3.2 million (Road Safety Trust 2005).

The Board of LTSA has 6 to 8 members all from In addition, there are several local road safety private sector appointed by and reporting to the organizations in New Zealand that can apply for Minister of Transport. The organizational struc- financing of local road safety schemes through

Financing Road Safety (Source: Global Road Safety Partnership)

- National/local government support (taxpayers)
- Fees for selected road safety services/traffic fines
- Safety fund, safety trust (e.g., New Zealand)
- Levies on licences and insurance premiums
- Private sector contributions
- · Community contributions

Source of Funding	Advantages	Disadvantages
Surcharges on motor fuel	Low level of evasion Low collection fee	Difficulty to raise fuel prices
Surcharges on weight-distance charges	Accepted as user charge	High level of evasion
Surcharges on compulsory vehicle insurance fees	Best related to road safety	High level of evasion
Surcharges on vehicle licensing fees	Low collection fee	High level of evasion
Surcharges on road tolls	Low level of evasion Accepted as user charge	Toll roads form only a small part of the road network
Contribution by private sector	Can complement road safety financ- ing and can make use of private sector management and efficiency	Can only provide limited amounts and may not be sustainable
Development loans and grants	Can initiate effective road safety pro- grammes and financing schemes	Not sustainable

Funding sources for Low Income Countries



Component 2: Governance & Planning Legal Framework

■ What are existing legal documents related to road safety in Nepal?

- ☐ Who is responsible for developing Acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines?
- How are these documents legalised?
- What are the mechanisms for amendments?
- ☐ How can we make sure the consistency across different documents?

Project 3.1 Development of Legal Framework: Road Safety Acts, **Rules and Regulations**

(Component C2: Governance and Planning)

Objective

- . To amend, redevelop and propose road safety Acts, Rules and Regulations
- . To ensure that there is a robust legal framework to support the development and sustained implementation of the proposed Road Safety Management System.

2. Description

- Undertake review of existing legal framework for road safety management system with the objective of identifying legislative vacuum
- Develop robust legal framework considering prevailing acts rules and regulations and international best practices.
- 3. Reference to UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020
- Pillar 1: Road Safety Management (Activity 1: Agreements and conventions) 4. Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)
- Pillar 1: Road Safety Management [Activity A(3): Amend Motor Vehicles and Transport Management Act 2049 (1993), Local Self Governance Act, 2055 (1999) and develop various guidelines]
- Pillar 3: Safer Vehicles (Activity C(2): Amend VTMA 1993 and VTMR 1997 and develop national transport policy to reinforce safer vehicles
- Pillar 4: Safer Road Users (Activity D(1): Amend VTMA 1993 and VTMR 1997 to invigorate safer road-users)

5. Information Source:

National existing arrangements

International best practices

6. Outcom

· Nepal Road Safety Legal Documents (Acts, Rules and Regulations of International

Source: gtz (2006) The Road Safety Cent



Component 2: Governance & Planning Technical Framework

- What are existing technical documents related to road safety in Nepal?
- Who is responsible for developing and maintaining these documents?
- How can we make sure the consistency across different documents developed by different organisations?

Project 3.1 Development of Technical Framework: Road Safety Documents & Resources

(Component C.2: Governance and Planning)

1. Objective:

- . To develop a comprehensive set of road safety documents and resource
- To ensure that there is a robust technical framework to support the development and sustained implementation of the proposed Road Safety Management System

2. Descriptio

- Undertake review of reference materials and publications available in fragmented forms used in Nepal (research reports, manual, guidelines, policy and planning documents, acts, rules regulations, directives) with the objective of consolidating into a single database or library of road safety reference/resource materials for use in managing road safety system in Nepal.
- Identify gaps in the studies and propose such studies as a part of the Road Safety Management System. It is recognised that not all studies could be done at the beginning. Studies can be identified, prioritised and a programmed in a holistic manner with forward planning and programming to include in the short to medium to long term road safety management plans.

3. Reference to UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020

- Pillar 1: Road Safety Management (Activity 6: Data systems)
 Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)
- Pillar 1: Road Safety Management (not directly listed as activity)

5. Information Source:

- National existing documents
- International best practices

6. Outcome

 A comprehensive (electronic) database or library of road safety documents and resources

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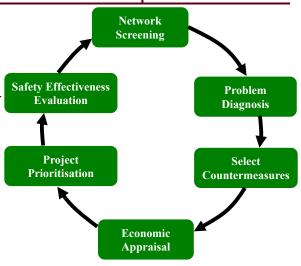
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Component 2: Governance & Planning Road Safety Evaluation and Improvement Process

□ A comprehensive road safety improvement and evaluation process should be established in order to tackle existing site specific road safety issues in a systematic way

□ References:

- Highway Safety Manual (2010)
- Guide to Road Safety (2009)



Highway Safety Manual (2010)

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Component 2: Governance & Planning Road Safety Evaluation and Improvement Process

Project 9.1 Development of Nepal Road Safety Evaluation and Improvement (NRSEI) Process

(Component C2: Governance and Planning)

1. Objective:

- To develop Nepal Road Safety Evaluation and Improvement (NRSEI) process
 Description:
- Develop a systematic Nepal Road Safety Improvement and Evaluation Process
 Strategy development and target setting
 - o Road network screening
 - o Identification of crash locations (black spot
 - Project prioritisations
 - o Problem diagnosis
 - Countermeasure selection
 - Designing a safe remedial treatment
 - Economic appraisal (justifying the expenditure)
 - o Implementation
 - Safety effectiveness monitoring and evaluation (cross-sectional comparison, before-and-after comparison)

3. Reference to UN 5 Pillars of Global Actions for Road Safety

- Pillar 1: Road Safety Management (not specifically listed as an activity)
- 4. Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan 2013-2020
- Pillar 1: Road Safety Management (not specifically listed as an activity)
- 5. Information Source/Persons Involved:
- Crash analysis experts, academics and researchers
- Road and traffic authorities
- 6. Outcome:
- A robust Nepal Road Safety Evaluation and Improvement (NRSEI) process

Lost output	NRs.328,335	NRs.27,008
Medical cost	NRs.149,383	NRs.40,219
Vehicle damage	NRs.64,967	NRs.64,967
Administrative cost	NRs.884	NRs.884
Pain, grief and suffering	NRs.65,667	NRs.5,402
Average cost per casualty-acc.=	NRs.609,236	NRs.138,479

Urban NRs.27,300

Rural NRs.59,240

Source: ND LEA Inc. (2008)

Fatality:	\$3,180,598*
Serious injury:	\$316,869*
njury:	\$17,511*
"Adjusted to current 2011 Quarter 3 prices.	

Source: BITRE, Australia (2009)

An Australian human life is valued 500 times a Nepalese life!



Road Safety Evaluation and Improvement Process

PROJECT	BEFORE CRASHES (5 Yrs)	AFTER CRASHES	SRS ALLOCATION	SRS EXPENDITURE
Currumbin Creek Road (Bienvenue Drive to Galleon Way)	10 (2/yr)	1 (21mths) (0.35/yr)	\$250,000	\$210,000
Mount Lindsay Arterial Road (Ormskirk Street intersection)	21 (4.2/yr)	1 (18mths) (0.3/yr)	\$50,000	\$36,000
Caboolture - Brible Island Road (Bestmann Road intersection)	20 (4/yr)	2 (25mths) (0.83/yr)	\$160,000	\$160,000
Gladstone - Benaraby Road (North of Boyne Island intersection)	10 (2/yr)	3 (22mths) (1.1/yr)	\$600,000	\$416,000
Beaudesert - Beenleigh Road (south of Flagstone Creek)	3 (0.6/yr)	1 (22mths) (0.37/yr)	\$500,000	\$533,000

Queensland Example: Performance Evaluation



Nepal Road Safety Strategy and Evaluation

☐ Guides the efforts to reduce road deaths and injuries

□ Should be

- · scientifically modelled,
- · continually revised,
- · closely monitored, and
- · objectively evaluated

□ Four terminologies

- vision: 'desired direction of future road safety'
- target or mission: 'an outcome expressed in quantitative terms'
- strategy: 'a coordinated set of actions (plans) designed to achieve a specific result or set of results in a specified period'
- (action) plan: 'an expression of the strategy over a shorter period'
- ☐ Government of Nepal (2013)
 - Nepal Road Safety Action Plan 2013-2020

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Nepal Road Safety Strategy and Evaluation

	Nepal Road Safety Action Plan 2013- 2020	International Examples	
Mission	"Safe road-infrastructures and services backed with effective post-crash response and conducive environment resulting in little or no casualties from the road crashes"	"no person should be killed or seriously injured on Australia's roads" – Australia	
		"avoiding an increase in road fatalities" - Norway	
		"sustainable safety" - The Netherlands	
		'vision zero'- Sweden	
Targets/ Missions	To mitigate the loss of life, properties and economic loss from road crashes To complement the broader mission of the National Strategy on the Prevention and Control of Violence, Injuries and Disabilities To meet the targets of the UN Decade of Action iv. To provide a common framework for stakeholder agencies to implement the various interventions required to mitigate road crash outcomes	i. to reduce the annual number of road crash fatalities by at least 30% ii. to reduce the annual number of serious road crash injuries by at least 30% - Australia	

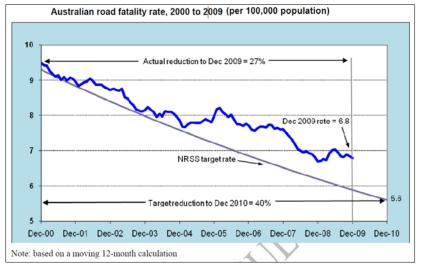
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National Road Safety Strategy, Australia



Source: National Road Safety Strategy 2011-2020

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Component 2: Governance & Planning Nepal Road Safety Strategy and Evaluation

Project 10.1 Incorporation of Road Safety in National Planning and Policy

(Component C2: Governance and Planning)

. Objective:

- To incorporate road safety as a part of national planning policy and programmes
 To incorporate road safety as an integral part of transport sector policy and
- programmes
- Review and revise Transport Sector Policies (for example, National Transport Policy 2068 (2011)] incorporating road safety requirements such as banning aging
- vehicles in the country, control road-access based on vehicle dimension etc.)

 3. Reference to UN 5 Pillars of Global Actions for Road Safety (2011-2020)
- 4. Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan 2013-2020

• N/A

- Transport and road safety experts, academics and researchers
- Road and traffic authorities
- Government departments
- Road safety aspects at all levels of national planning policy and programmes

Project 10.1 Development of Nepal Road Safety Strategy (NRSS)

(Component C2: Governance and Planning)

. Objective:

To develop Nepal Road Safety Strategy or NRSS

. Description

- Develop a realistic Nepal Road Safety Strategy or N-RSS (to be implemented, monitored and evaluated at frequent intervals, say 5 years or 10 years)
- 3. Reference to UN 5 Pillars of Global Actions for Road Safety
- Pillar 1: Road Safety Management (Activity 3: National Strategy)

Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)

 Pillar 1: Road Safety Management [Activity A(4): Develop a national road safety strategy and implementation modality]

i. Information Source/Persons Involved:

- Crash analysis experts, academics and researchers
- Road and traffic authorities
- Government departments
- . Outcome:
- Nepal Road Safety Strategy (NRSS)



Component 2: Governance & Planning **Nepal Road Safety Strategy and Evaluation**

Project 10. 1 Development of Indirect Strategies to Enhance Road **Safety Outcomes**

(Component 2: Governance and Planning)

1. Objective:

· To develop indirect strategies to enhance road safety outcomes

2. Description:

- · Develop indirect strategies to enhance road safety outcomes
 - Sustainable transport urban planning (urban and rural)
 - o Travel demand management
 - o Land-use planning

3. Reference to UN 5 Pillars of Global Actions for Road Safety

- Pillar 2: Safer Roads and Mobility (Activity 2: Indirect Strategies)
- 4. Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan 2013-2020
 - N/A
- 5. Information Source/Persons Involved:
 - · Crash analysis experts, academics and researchers
 - · Road and traffic authorities
 - · Government departments

6. Outcome:

· Indirect strategies to enhance road safety outcomes

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Component 3: Crash Prevention System Crash Prevention System: Nepal Road Rules

- □ Road Users Guide (सड़क प्रयोगकर्ता निर्देशिका) is available
- ☐ This guide needs to be revised and updated (make it free and easy!)

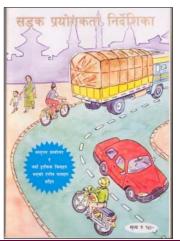




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Component 3: Crash Prevention System Nepal Road Rules



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Project 4.1 Crash Prevention System: Development of Nepal Road

(Component C: Pre-crash Systems)

· To develop Nepal Road Rules

- · Review the existing 'Road Users Guide' and enhance it based on local and international experiences (rename it as Nepal Road Rules as term 'guide' does not seem to be strong enough)
- · Develop several simplified versions of the rules both for public awareness and for drivers' education, training and licencing
- 3. Reference to UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020
- Pillar 4: Safer Road Users (Activity 2 Activity 6: Laws, Regulations and Rules)
- 4. Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)
- Pillar 4: Safer Road Users (not specifically listed as an activity)

5. Information Source:

- · National existing documents
- · International best practices

· A comprehensive set of Nepal Road Rules and its simplified versions for several



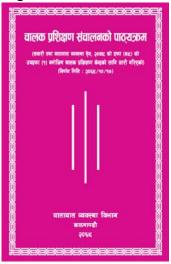
Crash Prevention System: Motorcycle Protective Clothing



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Component 3: Crash Prevention System Crash Prevention System: Graduated Licensing System

☐ Existing Driver Education and Licensing system





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Component 3: Crash Prevention System Crash Prevention System: Graduated Licensing System

☐ Existing licensing system needs to be reviewed, revised & updated





Open licence



International best practices
 Outcome:
 A robust driver licensing system

National existing system

enhancement]
5. Information Source.

Pillar 4: Safer Road Users (Activity 8: Graduated Licensing System)
 Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)

 Pillar 4: Safer Road Users [Activity D(6): Improve driving licence procedure scientifically, Activity D(8): Construct modern driving training centres and capacity

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Component 3: Crash Prevention System Crash Prevention System: Public Education

Project 4.1 Crash Prevention System: Public Education and Awareness

(Component C3.1: Pre-crash Systems: Safer Road Users)

1. Objective:

 To develop and implement a set of public education and awareness campaigns on road safety

2. Description

- Projects related to education, awareness, behavioural change, road rules to control fatal five (DUI - driving under the influence of alcohol or drug, speeding, driving without wearing seat belts, detracted driving, driving while fatigue etc)start with slogans such as 'Tired Drivers Die' – it is about stopping anarchies on roads to save lives
- Examples: slogans, TV advertisement and debate, social media campaigning, school campaigns, on-road safety demonstrations, road safety training facilities for kids on parks and schools etc.
- Conduct research on community attitudes towards road safety
- 3. Reference to UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020
- Pillar 4: Safer Road Users (Activity 1: Awareness and Public Education)
 Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)
- Pillar 4: Safer Road Users [Activity D(3): Public education campaign and research for all road users, Activity D(4): Introduce road safety education in school curriculum with regular revisions, Activity D(5): Train drivers and other road users]
- 5. Information Source:National existing system
 - International best examples
- 6. Outcome
- A set of effective public education and awareness campaigns on road safety



Source: Poudval (2013)





Crash Prevention System: Public Awareness & Education





Crash Prevention System: Law Enforcement

Motor Vehicles and Transport Management Act, 2049 (1993)

164. Power to transport inspector or police to impose fine on the spot; (1) impector or a police officer not lower than the runk of sub-impector of police may punish on the spot a person who commits the following offence person who commits the following offence for the second instance with a fine of Fifty Rupees to One Hundred Rupees and a person who commits the following offence for the third instance or more with a fine of One Hundred (a) Driving a motor vehicle contravening the traffic signs or

- (b) Standing a motor whicle at such place or time as may
- be prohibited for such standing: where such turning or sound-signal is prohibited.
- (d) Driving a motor vehicle on the wrong side of a road.
- (e) Driving a motor vehicle from the opposite side on a

Traffic Police (online)

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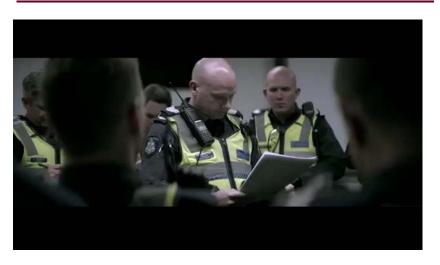
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- Driving a motor vehicle of unworthy condition
- Driving a motor vehicle in excess of the determined
- (h) Driving a motor vehicle at night without turning lights
- (i) Driving a motor vehicle after consumption of liquors;
- (j) Parking a motor vehicle at a public place in such a way as to cause obstruction to others:
- (k) Driving a motor vehicle at a place or hour prohibited for such driving.
- (f) Driving a motor vehicle without a number-plate;
- (m) Driving a motor vehicle of which weight is more than the determined weight at a place for which the limit of weight of a motor vehicle is determined;
- (n) Driving a motor vehicle without fastening the seat-belt or without using the helmet:
- (o) In the event of determination of the number of people to be seated or kept in or the weight of goods to be loaded in a motor vehicle, driving a motor vehicle carrying passengers or goods exceeding such determined number
- (p) Refusing to accept a passenger by the driver of a public motor vehicle;
- (q) Driving a motor vehicle by charging fares at a rate exceeding the fixed rate of fares;
- Driving a motor vehicle recklessly:
- (s) Driving a public motor vehicle without obtaining the route permit: or

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Crash Prevention System: Law Enforcement



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Crash Prevention System: Public Awareness & Education



(\$1,605 cost to be paid by offender)



Crash Prevention System: Law Enforcement

□ Enforcement of the laws and regulations is also essential for behavioural change of road users

- □ A rigorous system to enforce road traffic laws required
- Note: Traffic fine should be set to a deterrent level (can we introduce variable fines system for Nepal?)

Project 4.1 Crash Prevention System: Law Enforcement

(Component C3.1: Pre-crash Systems: Safer Road Users)

1. Objective

- To develop a rigorous Nepal road traffic laws enforcement system 2. Description
- Develop a rigorous Nepal road traffic laws enforcement system
- 3. Reference to UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020
- Pillar 4: Safer Road Users (Activity 4 Activity 6)
- 4. Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)
- Pillar 4: Safer Road Users (Activity D(2): Strictly enforce the rules on the seatbelts, helmets use, public transport safety and develop comprehensive code-of-conduct for all road users?

5. Information Source:

- National existing system
- · International best examples
- - A rigorous Nepal road traffic laws enforcement system



Value of fines

The amount a person is fined depends on the offence they commit and the number of penalty units attributed to it.

The current value of a penalty unit is \$147.61 (as at 1 July 2014).

For example, if an offence carries two penalty units, the total fine is \$295.

The value of a penalty unit is set annually by the Department of Treasury and Finance (DTF), and is updated on 1 July each year. More information about fees and fines is available on the OTF website.



Crash Prevention System: Speed Management

- ☐ Design speeds information along SRN available
- ☐ Speed limits by vehicle type is also available
- ☐ There is no comprehensive speed signage and speed management system

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Crash Prevention System: Public Awareness & Education



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Crash Prevention System: Speed Management

Project 4.1 Crash Prevention System: Development of Speed Limits and Speed Management System

(Component C3.2: Pre-crash Systems: Safer Speeds)

1. Objective:

Develop and implement speed limits and speed management system

2. Descriptio

- Review the existing 'Speed Limits' and 'Speed Management System'
- Utilise road inventory, traffic stream and Road Safety Audit (Project#3.9) results to develop a comprehensive speed management system and speed limits on all roads in Nepal based on local practices and international experiences.
- Establish an institutional framework to implement and monitor motorists' compliance to speed limits and speed management system
- Develop projects and programs related to speed management and control

3. Reference to UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020

- Pillar 4: Safer Road Users (Activity 2: Speed Limits)
- 4. Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)
 - Pillar 4: Safer Road Users (not specifically listed as an activity)

. Information Source:

- National existing documents
- International best practices
- Road safety audit results
- Traffic Police

Outcome:

A comprehensive national speed limits and speed management system



Source: ekantipur.com



Photo Courtesy Traffic Police



Crash Prevention System: Vehicle Inspection & Maintenance

- ☐ Vehicle factor contributes to crashes due to unsafe vehicles, worn tyres & brakes (about 5-15%). Initial and periodic vehicle inspections help to reduce road crashes. These inspections include:
 - Roadworthiness: development of vehicular safety checking and rating system (brakes, lights, tires, crash avoidance systems: ESC, ABS, alerting systems)
 - Mass, size and other safety compliances e.g., licence to carry passengers...etc.





Photo Courtesy Traffic Police



Crash Prevention System: Vehicle Inspection & Maintenance



Road worthings certificate to be issued: (1) Prior to registering motor vehicle pursuant to Section 16, the competent authority shall, subject to the criteria prescribed pursuant to Section 23, examine such a motor vehicle as to whether it is in good condition that it can be plied and register such a motor vehicle only when it is in good condition that it can be plied registration, the certificate of road worthiness of such a motor vehicle shall also be issued to the owner of such a motor vehicle

(2) The road worthiness certificate issued pursuant to Sub-section (1) shall have to be affixed on the motor vehicle.

Motor Vehicles and Transport Management Act, 2049 (1993)

Photo Courtesy Subhash (2014)



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Crash Prevention System: Vehicle Inspection & Maintenance

Project 4.1 Crash Prevention System: Vehicle Inspection and Roadworthiness

(Component C3.3: Pre-crash Systems: Safer Vehicles)

1. Objective:

. To develop and implement a system for vehicle inspection and roadworthiness

2. Description:

- Develop and implement a comprehensive testing and inspection system for all vehicles for their roadworthiness, mass and sizes and capacity to carry passengers and goods. The system should be tougher for public and commercial vehicles
- Develop and implement NCAP ("New Car Assessment") programmes
- . Enforce laws that prohibit the use of unsafe vehicles/manufacture vehicles without specific safety features Control and Anti-Lock Braking Systems
- Develop projects related to vehicle inspection, control, technology, what kind of vehicles seat belts, air bags, condition check, regular check
- 3. Reference to UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020 • Pillar 4: Safer Vehicles (Activity 1-Activity 7)
- 4. Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)
- Pillar 4: Safer Vehicles [Activity C(1)-C(8)]

5. Information Source:

- National existing system
- International best examples

6. Outcome:

A comprehensive vehicle testing and inspection system



Photo Courtesy Adhikary (2013)



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Crash Prevention System: Road Design and **Maintenance Standards**

Road factor contributes to crashes due to poor delineation, unsafe and substandard road geometry (steep downgrade, severe curves), poor pavement surface condition (polished aggregate, wet pavement) and visibility (poor sight distance, lighting conditions) (about 25-35%):



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Photo Courtesy Subhash (2014)





Photo Courtesy Adhikari (2013 **Source: Decoded Stuff (online)**



Crash Prevention System: Road Design and **Maintenance Standards**

Project 4.1 Crash Prevention System: Road Design and Maintenance

(Component C3.4: Pre-crash Systems: Safer Roads)

1. Objective:

. To update and revise road design and maintenance standards

2. Description:

- · Review and update existing road design standards through road safety perspectives
- Develop and implement road maintenance standards
- Develop a system to continuously review road design and maintenance standards utilising local practices and international evidences. The road maintenance should be of top-most priority. Road and traffic authorities should be made punishable by law for non-standard designs and for not maintaining the roads to a safe level.

3. Reference to UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020

 Pillar 2: Safer Roads and Mobility (Activity 3 and Activity 4: Standards for New and Existing Roads)

4. Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)

• Pillar 2: Safer Roads and Mobility [Activity B(3): Develop design guideline for safer roads and construct required infrastructures]

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5. Information Source:

- National existing standards
- · International best examples

. Nepal road design and maintenance standards and monitoring system



Source: Photos of Nepal (online)



Source: Creation Umesh (online)



Crash prevention System: Traffic Control Devices

☐ Traffic Signs Manual (1997) was prepared and approved



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Crash prevention System: Traffic Control Devices

Project 4.1 Crash Prevention System: Traffic Control Devices

(Component C3.4: Pre-crash Systems: Safer Roads)

1. Ohiective

- To develop 'Manual of Traffic Control Devices'
- To develop a system to enforce laws to implement traffic control devices

- · Review and update existing Traffic Signs Manual (1997)
 - Priority 1: Regulatory devices (signs/signals/marking) for regulating flows
 - o Priority 2: Warning devices
- o Priority 3: Information or guidance devices
- . Develop a system to enforce laws to implement traffic control devices
- . Develop a system to continually review 'Manual of Traffic Control Devices' utilising local practices and international evidences. Road and traffic authorities should be made punishable by law for not using or for incorrectly using traffic control

3. Reference to UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020

. Pillar 2: Safer Roads and Mobility (Activity 3 and Activity 4: Control Devices for New and Existing Roads

4. Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)

 Pillar 2: Safer Roads and Mobility [Activity B(5): Enforce work zone safety from construction to defect-liability period in all road project contracts]

5. Information Source:

- · National existing manuals and laws
- International best practices

Nepal Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices and enforcement system

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Crash prevention System: Traffic Control Devices



Source: Photos of Nepal (online)

Safety at Road Construction Zones



Source: Indiana DOT (online)



Crash prevention System: Road Safety Audit

■ Road Safety Audit Manual was published in **April 1997**

□ How is this manual used?

Project 4.1 Crash Prevention System: Development of Road Safety **Audit System**

(Component C3.4: Pre-crash Systems: Safer Roads)

To develop and implement Road Safety Audit process

2. Description

- Develop a compulsory comprehensive road safety auditing process for both existing and new roads. Develop road safety tools/checklists to be used for auditing process. Develop a system to train expert road safety auditors.
- Road Safety Audit projects:
 - o Develop Road Safety Audit Policy
- o Develop Manual of Road Safety Audit-review existing and improve o Develop training manuals and training programs for auditors Systematic safety audit, safety impact and/or road assessment policies and
 - Develop auditors' licencing system
- practices in place
- Develop tools such as NepRAP (similar to AusRAP, EuroRAP)
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- 3. Reference to UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020
- . Pillar 2: Safer Roads and Mobility (Activity 3 Activity 5: Auditing System for New and Existing Roads)

4. Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)

 Pillar 2: Safer Roads and Mobility (Activity B(1): Develop road safety audit manua for non-strategic roads and gradually enforce safety audits in all roads (strategic and non-strategic roads), Activity B(2): Introduce compliance policy for safety audits recommendations (strategic and non-strategic roads)]

 National existing manuals and laws · International best practices



Crash Prevention System: Roadside Hazard Management

- ☐ A particular type of crashes can be reduced by managing roadside hazards (for example, run of the road crashes)
- ☐ Access control, delineation measures, roadside safety barriers are some of the measures that help reduce the road crashes

Project 4.1 Crash Prevention System: Roadside Hazard Management

(Component C3.4: Pre-crash Systems: Safer Roads)

1. Objective:

To develop and implement roadside hazard management system

- Develop and implement roadside hazard management system utilising road safety auditing results and utilising guidelines for Nepal road safety measures. Research on using local materials and resources should be given the top most priority.
- · Develop access control and rationalisation strategy for implementation along the existing and future road corridors. Develop policy to strictly enforce access control measures to and from arterial roads,
- 3. Reference to UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020
- Pillar 2: Safer Roads and Mobility (Activity 3: Hazard Management System)

Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)

Pillar 2: Safer Roads and Mobility (not directly listed as an activity)

5. Information Source:

- · National existing manuals and laws
- · International best practices

Nepal Roadside Hazard Management System

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Source: Austroads (2008)

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Crash Prevention System: Roadside Hazard Management











Source: Austroads (2008)

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Component 4: Pre-crash Management System Post-Crash Management System

- ☐ The objective of developing post-crash management system is to reduce the damage or injury through improved emergency management, to treat injuries and save lives
- ☐ It can be done by formulating robust post-crash management system
- ☐ The system should use advanced technologies and healthcare system



(Source: Queensland Department of Transport and Main Roads)







Component 4: Pre-crash Management System **Post-Crash Management System**

Project 5.1 Development of Nepal Post-Crash Management System (NPCMS)

(Component C4: Post-crash System)

. To review and update or develop a robust Nepal Post-crash Response and Management System to treat injuries and save lives

- . Review and update or develop an effective and efficient emergency response and management system after the road crash
- · Review and update or develop documents (strategy, policy, directives, manual, guidelines, forms, checklists) for Nepal Post-crash Response and Management
- . This should include emergency communication systems, rescue management, prehospital and hospital care systems, long-term care systems, salvaging and towing away damaged vehicle and restoration of roads and traffic control devices
- · Establishment of post-crash response units at strategic locations along SRN, helicopter/flying doctors, ambulance, tow truck, emergency vehicles, trauma centres, road rules regarding duty of drivers in case of crashes (witness or direct involvement) are some important components of the system.
- 3. Reference to UN 5 Pillars of Global Actions for Road Safety
- Pillar 5: Post-Crash Response [Activity 1–Activity 7]
- 4. Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020) Pillar 5: Post-Crash Response [Activity E(1)-Activity E(8)]
- 5. Information Source:
- National existing systems
- · International best practices

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A robust Nepal Post-Crash Management System (NPCMS)



Component 5: Crash Investigation System Crash Investigation and Recording System

■ Existing System (both in English & Nepali)



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Component 5: Crash Investigation System Crash Investigation and Recording System

Project 6.1 Development of Nepal Road Crash Investigation System

(Component C5: Crash Investigation and Database System)

To develop a robust Nepal road crash investigation system (NRCIS)

2. Description:

- Develop and implement crash investigation policy
- . Develop a rigorous Nepal road crash investigation system (NRCIS) involving several levels of road safety institutions and expertise. The system should answer the questions: where, how, what, when, who and why?
- . Set up systematic training programs to prepare expert road crash investigators Graduated licencing system may be required for different levels of expertise.

3. Reference to UN 5 Pillars for Road Safety

All Pillars 1-5

4. Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)

 Pillar 2: Safer Roads and Mobility [Activity B(4): Investigate accident black spots for all road types and construct appropriate countermeasures]

5. Information Source:

- · Road and traffic authorities: DoTM, DoR, DoLIDAR
- Traffic Police
- Existing national system
- · International best practices

6. Outcome:

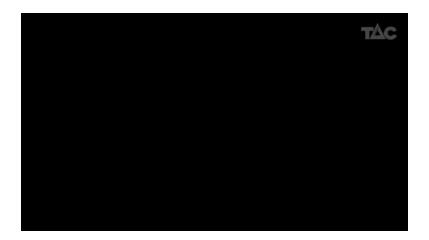
· A robust Nepal road crash investigation system (NRCIS)

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Crash Investigation and Recording System





Component 5: Crash Investigation System Crash Investigation and Recording System

(Component C5: Crash Investigation and Database System)

. To develop unified Nepal Road Crash Data Collection, Coding and Recording

2. Description:

- Develop Negal Crash and Severity Classification (NCSC) System based on severity (fatal, hospitalisation or serious injury, minor injury, medical treatment (collectively called FSI crashes), PDO (property damage only) crashes (use of consistent definition (e.g., if a person dies within 30 days of hospitalisation resulting from injury sustained in road crash, the crash in this case is defined as fatal). Number of casualties (head count) vs number of casualty crashes.
- . Develop Nepal Crash Coding (NCC) System using best international examples and local requirements (similar to DCA codes in Australia) for use in engineering purpose (e.g. run-of the road, head on, rear end, side swipe, pedestrian hit, hit
- Update the existing 'Road Accident Record' (RAR) form based on international examples and local conditions in consultation with Traffic Police (similar to QPRIME system in Queensland). This will be primarily meant for the purpose of Police charge, court case legal matters, coroner enquiry, insurance, dispute resolution penalty, infringement etc. Rename it 'Nepal Road Crash Record' (NRCR).
- Develop and enforce legal requirements for crash data reporting. . Utilise computerised and advanced internet technologies to collect, code and record crash data

3. Reference to UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020 Pillar 1: Road Safety Management [Activity 6: Data systems]

- 4. Reference to Napal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)
- Pillar 1: Road Safety Management [not specifically listed as an activity]

5. Information Source:

- Road and traffic authorities: DoTM, DoR, DoLIDAR
- Existing national system International best practices

Unified Nepal Crash Data Collection, Coding and Recording System

Australian Example:

Minimum reporting requirements Have all the following crash categories reported

- · fatal crashes (one or more persons killed or died within 30 days)
- injury crashes (one or more persons injured)
- non-injury crashes above threshold values which may vary across jurisdiction, plus those where the property owner is not present.

Coding of Accident-types - 'DCAs' and 'VMCs'



Standard tables for Australian DCA codes are set

out in Figure 5.1 and for New Zealand VMCs in Figure 5.2. The codes in Figure 5.1 are used in all

making when the collision occurred. For example, if the accident involved a right turning vehicle colliding with an oncoming vehicle, it would be given a DCA It can be seen from Figure 5.1 and Figure 5.2 that One of the basic tools for understanding what One of the basic tools for innerstanding what happened during an accident in the road user movement or "accident-type" (originally referred to at the SIMA code when introduced in Victoria in 1968). These now go under the name of "DCA Codes" (Definition for Coding Accidents) in Australia or VMCs (Vehicle Movement Code) in New Zealand.

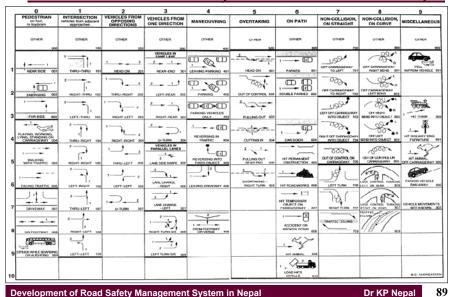
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During the coding of information from the accident report form, each accident is given a DCA code indi-

cating the movements the involved road users were

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Nepal Road Crash Investigation and Recording System: Australian Example





Component 5: Crash Investigation System Nepal Road Crash Database System

- Investigation of crash data requires a centralised, verified, detailed and audited crash data
- Currently, Traffic Police keep the hardcopy database (not easily accessible for general public)
- It is important to make these verified database public



Project 7.1 Development of Nepal Road Crash Database System (NRCDS)

(Component C5: Crash Investigation and Database System

1. Objective:

 To develop a centralised (computerised) and detailed Nepal road crash databas system (NRCDS) for research, analysis and road safety purposes. This archive should contain only verified and cross-checked database.

2. Description

- Develop a computerised database system that collates up-to-date records of crash statistics. The records should be as detailed as possible and frequently updated. The recordings should be made compulsory by law and should be consistent with the internationally accepted standards.
- Develop road crash database system (similar to RoadCrash2 or WebCrash in Queensland) for use in engineering analysis.
- Others (e.g., Database for Fatal Crash Investigation recommendations and actions taken, Database for Road Safety Audit recommendations and actions taken, road elements contributing to crashes - risk factors – e.g. length of road side barriers, median. shoulder width. substandard curves)
- Develop a computerised database system of all collected crash data that can be extracted as per users' necessities. Provide an option to upload scanned version of original data collection forms so that data can be rechecked as required.

3. Reference to UN Decade of Action on Road Safety 2011-2020

- Pillar 1: Road Safety Management (Activity 6: Data systems)
- 4. Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)
 - Pillar 1: Road Safety Management (not specifically listed as an activity)

i. Information Source:

- Government departments: DoTM and Traffic Police
- Other information sources
- Data to be regularly collected, as and when required

6. Outcome:

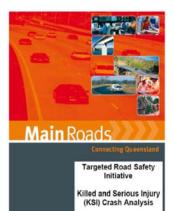
Disaggregated (electronic) road crash database

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Nepal Road Crash Database System



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Use of Crash Database for Road Safety Program Development: Example from Queensland, Australia



Component 6: Road Safety Analysis and Research Nepal Road Safety Research and Development

- Road safety research is a must for all aspects of road safety
- Decision concerning the road safety measures need to be based on information about:
- the number of accidents
- when and where accident occurred
- the road user groups that are involved
- the factors that contribute to accidents and
- the measures that can be taken to reduce the number of accidents or injury severities
- Information should be based on scientific research

Project 11.1 Road Safety Research and Development

(Component C6: Research & Development)

hiective:

- To perform crash analysis and develop Nepal road safety measurement statistics
 To conduct research covering a wide range of issues related to road safety in Nepa
- Description:
 Analyse crash data to develop a set of road safety performance statistics.
 Analyse crash data and statistics to determine the causes of crashes. It is easier to
 - develop countermeasures once the causes of crashes are known.

 Develop visual and graphical user interfaces (such as GIS map) of analysed crash data and their statistics. This will help to prioritise projects for treating road crash
- Develop costs of crashes for Nepal. These costs should be periodically updated.
- Develop models of crashes for road crash prediction at different types of road
- facilities (e.g., intersections and roadways)
- Develop Nepal crash reduction or modification factors (CMFs).
 Develop Nepal road safety performance functions (SPFs).
- Investigate key crash types and develop countermeasures
- Develop a set of crash reduction countermeasures (examples of such measures a
- discussed in Chapter 8).
- Perform research in all aspects of road safety in Nepal.
 Reference to UN 5 Pillars of Global Actions for Road Safety
- All pillars 1-5
- Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013/2020)
- Pillar 1: Road Safety Management [Activity A(5): Reliably, scientifically compile, analyse the RTA statistics and research on countermeasures]
- Pillar 2: Safer Roads and Mobility [Activity B(4): Investigate accident black spots for all road types and construct appropriate countermeasures]
- Pillar 5: Post-crash Response [Activity E(5): Research and prioritise treatments for

serious injuries from RTAs]

- Information Source/Persons Involved:
 Crash analysis experts, academics and researchers
- Road and traffic authorities
- Journals and publications
- Books and reports
- Scientific approach to road safety research and developmen

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Component 6: Road Safety Analysis and Research **Nepal Road Safety Countermeasures**

☐ In order to develop Nepal road safety countermeasur es, the all contributing factors (the human factor, vehicle and road environment) should be taken into account

Project 8.1 Development of Nepal Road Safety Measures (NRSM) or Treatments

(Component C2: Governance and Planning)

1. Objective:

. To develop a set of Nepal Road Safety Measures (NRSM) or treatments

- Select, research, trial, modify and specify effective and efficient Nepal Road Safety Measures (N-RSM) based on local evidences and international best practices
- · Develop Manual of Nepal Road Safety Measures (NRSM) for crash reduction (crash treatment types or reference materials based on international best practice and gradually improve them based on their usefulness in local conditions). Trial a few key selected treatments which have large effect in improving safety.
- · Develop policy for including safety benefits in road project evaluation methodology (if not done now – if there is one, review it and improve)

3. Reference to UN 5 Pillars of Global Actions for Road Safety

- · Pillar 2: safer roads and mobility
- · Pillar 3: safer vehicles
- Pillar 4: safer road users
- 4. Reference to Nepal Road Safety Action Plan (2013-2020)
- Pillar 2: Safer Roads and Mobility [Activity B(4): Investigate accident black spots for all road types and construct appropriate countermeasures]

5. Information Source/Persons Involved:

- · Crash analysis experts, academics and researchers
- Road and traffic authorities
- Journals and publications
- Books and reports
- 6. Outcome

A set of Nepal Road Safety Measures (NRSM) or treatments for all crash types

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Component 6: Road Safety Analysis and Research **Nepal Road Safety Countermeasures**

Project 8.1 Development of Nepal Road Safety Measures (NRSM) or Treatments Document (Component C2: Governance and Planning)

- To develop documents for Nepal Road Safety Measures (NRSM) or treatm
- treatments, delineation, defle requirements, regular check)
- Develop specifications for median barriers (as above)
- Develop guidelines for the provision of passing lanes (cov...) such as warrant, analysis, criteria, types, minimum length, geometric requiremen
- (treatments at taper, length of tapers, traffic signs, chevron etc.), line marking
- road side painting etc.)

 Develop guidelines (criteria/warrants for installing etc.) and standard specifications for Wide Centre Line Treatment (WCLT)- a well-tested and cos
- specifications for wide Centre Line Treatment (WCLT): a Well-tested and effective, low cost alternatives to physical barriers

 Develop guidelines for implementing gateway treatments at rural towns

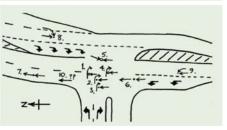
 Develop guidelines for installing pedestrian crossings at urban arterial roads
- Develop guidelines for installing motorcycle friendly guard rails
- . Other countermeasures (treatments), crash reduction factors, safety benefits int the road project evaluation, risk assessment, speed management and control crash reductions and control, specifications and standards of safety elements road side barriers, median barriers, intersection treatments, run off the roa crashes, head on and rear end, pedestrian and cyclists/ mo

Reference to UN 5 Pillars of Global Actions for Road Safety

- Pillar 2: safer roads and mobility
- Pillar 4: safer road users

- Crash analysis experts, academics and researche
- · Journals and publications, books and reports





Treatment of crash location

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Concluding Remarks

- ☐ If we fight 'road safety problem in Nepal' from all 6 fronts, we will reach somewhere
- Approach to road safety
 - · 'Proactive' approach NOT 'Reactive' approach
- □ Terminologies
 - 'Crash' NOT 'Accident'



