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Partner Updates

Training and media workshops by CAG in Tiruvarur highlight the pressing need for MVAA implementation

CAG in collaboration with the Tamil Nadu Consumer Protection and Environment Research Centre (TNCPERC), Tiruvarur organised a workshop on 'Strengthening Road Safety Decision Making' for members of the District Road Safety Committee (DRSC) on the 18th of July, 2022.

The workshop aimed at sharing knowledge of global best practices on road safety emphasizing the need for robust road safety legislation, increased penalties to act as deterrents, and leveraging the use of technology for improved enforcement. The interactive session was led by multi-disciplinary experts on improving road safety management in the district. Following the

event, a media interaction for the regional reporters and journalists was held to emphasize how media narratives can urge the state government to implement strict penalties as per MVAA 2019 and hold them accountable. The events witnessed enthusiastic participation and garnered a positive response from the district authorities. You can find the event report **here**.

Road Safety Workshop for drivers of legislators held in the aftermath of Shri Vinayak Mete's demise in a road crash

Mr. Vinayak Mete, former Member of the Legislative Council (MLC) died in a car crash on Mumbai-Pune Expressway. The State Road Safety Cell organized a road safety workshop on the 24th August 2022 at the Yashvantrao Chavhan hall, Mumbai for drivers working for legislators in the State.

The workshop focused on drivers' behaviors, skills and traffic discipline. Drivers were sensitized and imparted basic training about post-crash emergency response. Road crash fatalities are a major concern in Maharashtra. Around 13,000 people die in road crashes across Maharashtra in a year.

Parisar was invited to make a presentation at the training program. Sandeep Gaikwad (Senior Program Associate), shared the relation between speed and road crashes, along with other safe driving practices. Parisar also wrote a letter to the Transport Commissioner congratulating him on the effort and made some recommendations to strengthen the program.

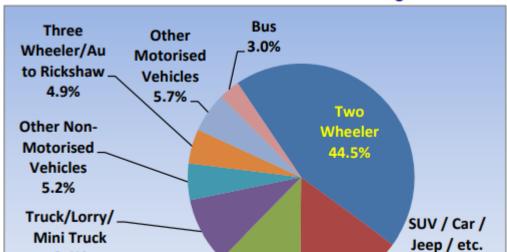
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Reports

Highest ever road crash fatalities in a year

- road crashes in India claimed 426 lives per day in 2021

The National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) reported that 1.55 lakh lives have been claimed on Indian roads in 2021. The NCRB <u>report</u> has pointed to a worrying trend of the consistent increase in the two-wheeler rider and pedestrian fatalities. The data shows that out of every 100 persons killed in a road crash, 44 were two-wheeler riders and 12 were pedestrians.



Vehicle wise Road Accident Deaths during 2021

Other Motorised Transport includes Tractor etc.

Pedestrian.

12.2%

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15.1%

Blog

9.4%



Helmets save lives

As per Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH) report, more than 39000 people lost their lives in 2020 as they did not wear helmets. Head injuries are a major cause of death, injury and disability among users of motorized two wheel vehicles.

Know more about the importance of wearing ISI helmets and fastening the strap with details on present law and fines in this **blog**.



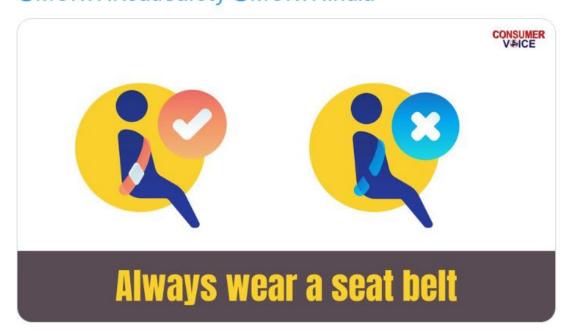
Is Tamil Nadu's vigour in promoting child safety unidirectional?

Tamil Nadu has been taking an array of initiatives to promote children's safety on roads through awareness and education. Varsha Vasuhe from CAG, in this **blog**, underlines the need to look at child safety on roads through multiple lenses of policy, road design guidelines, road risks, etc.

Social Media



Going out for a drive on weekend? Don't forget to buckle up the seat belts and encourage your fellow passenger to do the same. Seat belts are most effective against serious injuries in four-wheelers. #RoadSafety #SeatBelt #WearASeatBelt @MORTHRoadSafety @MORTHIndia



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