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Government of India
Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
(Transport Section)

30th September, 2022

To,

- (I) PS to the Hon'ble Transport Ministers of all States/UTs
- (II) The Principal Secretary/Secretary (Transport)/Transport Commissioners of all States/UTs

Subject : Minutes of the Meeting of the 41st Transport Development Council (TDC) meeting held on 9th September, 2022 in Bengaluru, Karnataka-reg.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of the minutes of the 41st Transport Development Council (TDC) meeting held on 9th September, 2022 in Bengaluru, Karnataka under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister (RT&H) for information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully

Encls. As above

Shashi
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(Shashi Bhushan)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

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1. CEO, NITI Aayog, Yojana Bhawan, New Delhi
2. Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, North Block, New Delhi
3. Chairman, Railways Board, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi
4. Secretary, Department of Commerce, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi
5. Chairman, NHAI, Dwaraka, New Delhi
6. Additional DG, Ministry of Tourism, Transport Bhawan, New Delhi
7. Adviser (Transport Research) TR Wing, MoRTH
8. ED, ASRTU, New Delhi

Copy for kind information :

1. PS to Hon'ble Minister (RT&H)/ PS to Hon'ble MoS (RT&H)/Sr.PPS to Secretary (RT&H)/PPS to AS (RT&H)/PPS to JS (T)/PS to Director (T)
2. ✓ Sr. Technical Director, NIC with the request to upload the enclosed minutes on the website of the Ministry.

Minutes of the meeting of the 41st Transport Development Council (TDC) held on 09th September, 2022 under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister, Road Transport & Highways at Bengaluru, Karnataka.

The List of participants is annexed.

Welcoming the Hon'ble Transport Ministers and officials from States/UTs and central ministries, Shri GirdharAramane, Secretary (RT&H) emphasized thatservices need to be provided to road and vehicle users in a transparent and citizen centric manner. He highlightedthe implementation of the faceless services to citizens in the most transparent manner at the RTOs level in respect of AITP, driving licenses, vehicle fitness etc. He mentioned that permits should be provided to citizens without any hassles to facilitate growth of economic operations and help the transport sector to reach the remotest corners of the countrywhich would ultimately leadto a holistic development of the nation.He also stressed on the need for having a Road Safety Committee in every district of the country and urged the Transport Ministers and Pr. Secretaries of States/UTs to form these committees on priority basis.

2. Joint Secretary (Transport and MVL) gave a brief introduction on various initiatives taken by the Ministry in the transport sector during the year to make road travel most convenient for citizens. He emphasised on the need of minimum government maximum governance framework and its advantages. He highlighted that the Transport Development Council is the highest body to advise the Government on all matters relating to road transport and acts as a well-established forum to facilitate coordination between key stakeholders of states and centre.

3. Director (MVL), MoRTH shared a short video highlighting the importance of **BH series registration mark** and discussed its salient features. He stated that since policy inception more than 20,000 vehicle havebeen registered in 24 different States and UTs. He also shared a short video on **All India Tourist Permit**, to demonstrate the need for seamless movement of tourists across the country without stoppage at various checkpoints and payment of taxes as per local/state regulations. He also mentioned that the initiatives taken by MoRTH have been a success with more than 30,000 permits and 2, 75,000 authorizations already granted till date.A short video on the Implementation of reforms under CMVR was also shown mentioning the various online applications.

4. Director (Transport), MoRTH presented a short video on the scheme launched on 15th January, 2020 for setting up Monitoring Centres for tracking and monitoring of public service vehicles as per AIS 140 standards under Nirbhaya Framework. He mentioned MOU has been signed with 30 States/UTs and funds have been disbursed to these States/UTs. He requested all States/UTs to expedite the progress of this scheme. A short film ontheMoRTH scheme for **Central Assistance for strengthening the Intelligent Transport System (ITS)** in public transport system of the country was also shown. Director (T) mentioned this scheme will help to improve technology adoption in public buses for improving operations, efficiency, services, and performance monitoring. He highlighted that several STU are developing ITSs progressively and the objective of scheme is to fully digitalize the public

transport with lower cost of travel and improved safety.

5. SE (Transport), MoRTH presented a short video on **Bharat New Car Assessment Program (BNCAP)** followed by a presentation. He informed that the BNCAP aims at setting automotive safety standards in India based on structural integrity, adult and child occupant safety and safety assisted technologies which shall be used to rate the vehicles through a star rating. He also informed that MoRTH has issued the draft notification for the BNCAP standards -AIS 197 which shall be fully functional from 1st April 2023.
6. Director (MVL), MoRTH gave a brief presentation on **status of implementation of Motor Vehicle Act across States**. He also stated that the State Governments are encouraged to revisit the speed limit restrictions in urban and semi-urban stretches to provide seamless traffic movement. He laid special emphasis on benefits that are likely to be obtained upon full implementation of reforms by the States/UTs, namely promoting seamless mobility across the country, greater safety for drivers and passengers and promoting online services and ease of doing business.
7. Shri. Mahua Acharya, CES, made a presentation on **transforming public bus transport with Electric Buses**. She highlighted that out of 3.7 lakh buses, nearly 2.2 lakh are aimed at augmenting transit fleets, whereas 1 lakh are needed for replacing overaged buses. She also mentioned that as per India's EV30@30 commitment, 22.3% of the 3.7 lakh buses will need to be electric. She laid special emphasis on the strengthening of STUs, improvement of financial health of STCs and presence of risk mitigation measures for effective deployment.
8. A presentation was made by Sh. Lokesh Chandra, GM, BEST on **shared, clean, and connected mobility** followed by a short video.
9. Shri. Prasanna Keshave Patwardhan, BOCI made a detailed presentation on **strengthening public transport for safe, smart, sustainable, environmentally friendly & integrated passenger mobility**. He mentioned that 92% buses are owned by private operators and to boost e-Mobility, Govt. of India must include private bus operators in all Government schemes.
10. Shri. Joydeep Shome, DDG, NIC, PMU launched the **Next Gen M Parivahan Mobile App**. This app provides transport service access to citizens through a mobile-based application and empowers citizens with instant access to various information, services and utilities related to the transport sector.
11. Shri Dayashankar Singh, Hon'ble Minister of Transport Uttar Pradesh, highlighted the immense network of National Highways in Uttar Pradesh. He laid special emphasis on some latest achievements such as digitalization of the RTOs, development and implementation of mobile applications for tracking vehicles, providing smart card, learning licences, Command Centre etc.
12. Shri Chandan Ram Das, Hon'ble Minister of Transport Uttarakhand, highlighted the issues of monsoon and climatic condition in Uttarakhand leading to frequent hindrances. He

also highlighted the issues with respect to breakdown of vehicles in the hilly regions of Uttarakhand and emphasized on requirement of Vehicle testing stations in hill regions of the State.

13. Shri Kailash Gahlot, Hon'ble Minister of Transport Delhi, emphasised on the issue of low priority given to the transport sector. He shared his vision of deploying 1800 Electric buses by the end of 2023 and more than 8000 electric buses by the end of year 2025. He also highlighted the steps his government has taken, such as installation of more than 2500 electric charging stations, the bus lane enforcement program, free travel services to women.

14. Shri Nilesh Cabral, Hon'ble Minister of Goa, pointed out the issues of fixed hours drivers' duty and vehicle overloading and stressed upon the need of more stringent monitoring systems.

15. Shri Bikram Singh, Hon'ble Minister of Transport Himachal Pradesh, mentioned their plan to build a 15 km long ropeway in Shimla, which has been approved by MoRTH and additional proposal of 60.6 Km is underway. He emphasised on the need to shift from the conventional to the electric buses with standardization of chargers.

16. Shri B.Sriramulu, Hon'ble Minister of Transport Karnataka, highlighted that Karnataka is the first state to establish a road safety authority, the same has helped in significant reduction of accidents, mortality and injury after its launch in year 2020. Furthermore, he mentioned the vision of his government of converting all the public buses to electric by year 2030. He further informed that after digitalization of the RTOs, 90 Lakh people have been benefited.

17. Shri Govind Singh Rajput, Hon'ble Minister of Transport Madhya Pradesh, pointed out the issues of passenger overloading especially in rural areas due to unavailability of public buses. He highlighted the Gramin Parivahan Seva scheme covering distance of 100 km and ensuring connectivity of rural areas to the main roads. He suggested that 25% of the gas stations are converted to charging stations.

18. Shri Khashim Vashum, Hon'ble Transport Minister Manipur, mentioned that there is no reliable public transport system available in the hilly areas. He urged the government that they needed special assistance in form of expertise and funds. He informed that despite these challenges the Transport Department of Manipur has revived the connectivity of hilly areas.

19. Shri S.S. Sivshankar, Hon'ble Transport Minister of Tamil Nadu, informed that their State has been the pioneers of road infrastructure and road safety. He highlighted that free travel for women in Tamil Nadu has resulted in benefitting 38 Lakh women.

20. Shri Nitin Gadkari, Hon'ble Union Minister of Road Transport and Highways, emphasised that efforts should be made to expand the automobile industry from 7.5 lakhs crore to 15 lakhs crore in next 5 years enabling India as a top automobile manufacturing hub in the world and this would be possible only with the adoption of best technologies for

the Indian road sector and by further enhancing the digital and contactless services by all States/UTs. He laid special emphasis on road safety and mentioned that it is an important element of sustainable infrastructure and critical for the development of the transport sector in India. He further emphasized that steps need to be taken to shift from diesel to alternate fuels such as ethanol, methanol, LNG etc. which are not only cheaper but also cleaner to operate. He encouraged the officers to take ownership and to consider road safety as their moral responsibility. He urged all the States/UTs to ensure speedy implementation of the scheme for setting up Monitoring Centres under Nirbhaya Framework which will give the much need impetus to the women safety. He spoke about the aspects of road safety audit and suggested that the audits can be fast-tracked by engaging professors of from polytechnics, technical institutes and young students after giving them due training about the standards. He reemphasized the Government of India commitment of reducing serious injuries and deaths due road accident by 50% by 2030 as per Stockholm declaration. At last, he addressed the august gathering and once again urged all stakeholders to work towards fulfilling Hon'ble Prime Minister's vision of AtmaNirbhar Bharat. He reiterated that serious and sensitive approach is needed towards road accidents and hard decisions will have to be taken to save precious lives of people. Minister also urged all State Governments to facilitate implement of All India Tourist Permit, including smooth facilitation for passage of Electric Vehicles in the Transport Category.

21. At the end Joint Secretary (Transport/MVL/Toll), MoRTH thanked all the participants and assured that the Central Government will closely work with the States/UTs for improvement of road transport across the country.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the Chair.

Annexure

Participants of the 41st TDC Meeting

MoRTH

1. Sh. Nitin Gadkari, Hon'ble Minister, MoRTH-In Chair
2. Gen Dr. V. K. Singh, Hon'ble Minister of State, MoRTH& Civil Aviation
3. Sh.Giridhar Aramane, Secretary, MoRTH
4. Sh. Mahmood Ahmed, Joint Secretary (Transport), MoRTH
5. Sh. Paresh Kumar Goel, Director (Transport), MoRTH
6. Sh. Piyush Jain, Director (MVL), MoRTH
7. Sh. K C Sharma, SE (T)
8. Sh. R R Meena, DS(Road Safety), MoRTH
9. Sh. Mansoorul Haque, Sr. TD, NIC, MoRTH
10. Sh. Diner Kumar, DDG, TRW, MoRTH
11. Sh. Ashish Rawat, AEE(T)

NIC

12. Sh. Joydeep Shome, DDG
13. Sh. Rana Pratap, Sr. TD

Assam

14. Sh. Adil Khan, Secretary & Commissioner Transport

Chhattisgarh

15. Sh. Shailabh Sahu, Asst. Transport Commissioner

Delhi

16. Sh. Kailash Gahlot, Hon'ble Minister of Transport
17. Sh. Ashish Kundra, Principal Secretary, Transport

Gujarat

18. Sh. Vikas Garg, Secretary Transport

Goa

19. Sh. Nilesh Cabral, Hon'ble Minister of PWD (on behalf of Transport Minister)
20. Sh. Rajan Satardekar, Director Transport

Haryana

21. Sh. Navdeep Singh Viru, Principal Secretary Transport

Himachal Pradesh

22. Sh. Bikram Singh, Hon'ble Minister of Transport
23. Sh. R.D. Nazeem, Principal Secretary (Transport, Industry, Fuel)

Karnataka

24. Sh. B. Sriramulu, Hon'ble Minister of Transport
25. Sh. T.H.M. Kumar, Transport Commissioner
26. Sh. Umashankar B.P, Addl. Commissioner Transport (admin)

Madhya Pradesh

- 27.Sh. Govind Singh Rajput, Hon'ble Minister of Transport
28.Sh. Arvind Saxena, Addl. Transport Commissioner

Maharashtra

- 29.Sh. Avinash Dhakne, Transport Commissioner

Manipur

- 30.Sh. Khashim Vashum, Hon'ble Minister of Transport

- 31.Sh. Michael Achom, Secretary (Transport)

Tamil Nadu

- 32.Sh. S.S. Shivasankar, Hon'ble Minister of Transport

- 33.Sh. M. Pallavi Baldev, Addl. Secretary

Tripura

- 34.Sh. Sandeep Rathod, Special Secretary Transport

Uttar Pradesh

- 35.Sh. Daya Shankar Singh, Hon'ble Minister of Transport

- 36.Sh. L. Venkateswaralu, Principal Secretary Transport

Uttarakhand

- 37.Sh. Chandan Ram Das, Hon'ble Minister of Transport

- 38.Sh. Arvind Singh Hyanki, Secretary Transport

- 39.Sh. Sanat Kumar Singh, Deputy Transport Commissioner

West Bengal

- 40.Sh. Prasenjit Hans, Spl Secretary Transport

ASRTU

- 41.Sh. T. Surya Kiran, ED, ARSTU

Transport Associations

- 42.Sh. Prasanna Patwardhan, President, BOCI

- 43.Sh. A. Afzal, General Secretary, BOCI

- 44.Sh. Amritlal Jaydayal Madan, AIMTC

- 45.Sh. Bal Malkit Singh, AIMTC

- 46.Sh. Naveen Kumar Gupta, AIMTC

- 47.Sh. Ramesh Agarwal, AITWA

- 48.Sh. Prakash Pandey, KGTA