EXECUTIVE DIRECTIVE No. 07/2016

-A Report in 'The New Indian Express' relating to Traffic Accidents is enclosed. I cross verified the figures and found correct. It is a matter of concern that fatal and near-fatal accidents are increasing and one of the reasons is laxity in enforcement in recent times, enforcement by the Police and Transport departments reduced the accidents by almost 7% and it is believed that proper regulation of traffic and proper enforcement against the offenders will definitely result in reduction in accidents.

In this connection the following instructions are issued to be complied with immediately.

(1) Highway Patrols will be effectively used by the District Police Chief concerned for the reduction of traffic accidents;

(2) Highway Patrols should be asked by the District Police Chief personally to be present in the night hours (2 AM to 5 PM) when many of the fatal and near-fatal accidents take place at the places in the District. The personnel from Highway Patrols should ensure that rash driving, drunken driving and over-speeding are checked (not document checks).

(3) The District Police Chiefs are not coming out for surprise checks for Control Room vehicles, Highway Patrol, Night Patrol vehicles, etc. Hence, the DPCs are directed to follow a mechanism in his/her district for surprise checks at least once in a week.

(4) ADGP (Zones) should monitor this and send report to PHQ as to how many times one DPC has gone out for surprise checks in a month.

(5) The Breath Analyzers, the Speed Radars, the Interceptors, Cameras, etc. should be utilized thoughtfully by the DPCs so as to reduce the accidents.

(6) Every District Police Chief should make his/her Accident Reduction Plan and select steps already spelt out which can be practically implemented and try to reduce accidents especially fatal and near-fatal accidents.

(7) IGP (Traffic) will keep an eye over these activities and give us a statistical report in every 15 days.

(8) Districts which are doing well and achieving targets will be given Special Appreciation and Rewards.

Director General of Police &
State Police Chief

To: ADGP Zones, All Range IsG, IG Traffic
All officers in PHQ, All DPCs
Deathtrap@12 deaths a day equals all-India average but with 2.5 per cent people. Ernakulam district tops the chart as accidents snuffed out 395 lives. Thiruvananthapuram second with 380 deaths

BLOOD STAINS ON STATE’S ROADS: 264 DAYS. 3093 DEATHS

DRIVE TO DEATH

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THE FATAL AVENUE

- High density of population
- Swelling number of vehicles
- Increasing young drivers
- Bad road conditions

They fell by way side, by dozens

In the roads of Kerala, which continue to be massively dangerous for travellers, nearly 12 persons were killed a day in the first eight months of this year. The stat is all the more worrying because of its proximity to the national figure of 12.7 persons a day. The below per safety standards of Kerala roads was revealed in the Assembly by CM.

The major reasons of deaths in the 15-99 age group are primarily accidents followed by suicides. Rajesh H. Kuk, Population Research Centre, University of Kerala

BLOODY STAT

- Road accidents claimed 400 victims each day on India’s roads in 2015
- 146,133 lives were snuffed out on streets last year
- More than half of the dead were in the 15-34 age group
- Kerala was fifth in the list of states where maximum accidents reported