# **Divisional Level Advocacy Meeting On**

# Road Safety Motor Vehicle (Amendment) Bill 2017 and Way Forward



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Organised by



# **Background**

The 'Divisional Level Advocacy Meeting on Road Safety' was organised by CUTS International on June 27, 2017 at Hotel Gaurav, Dholpur, Rajasthan under the project 'Campaign for Road Safety in India through Advocacy for the Speedy Enactment of Motor Vehicle (Amendment) Bill, 2017'. The one point agenda of the meeting was to discuss the changes made in the Motor Vehicle (Amendment) Bill or MVA Bill, 2017 and to advocate for the early passage of the MVA Bill, 2017 in Rajya Sabha. About 67 participants representing more than three districts of Rajasthan from Bharatpur division comprising consumer activists, social workers, subject experts, trauma experts, legal experts, traffic police and other stakeholders attended the meeting.

## **Proceedings**



### **Session 1: Inaugural Session**



**Rakesh Parmar**, welcomed the guests, speakers and the participants. He also defined the objectives of the meeting and spoke about the steps taken by the CUTS International to take the advocacy work forward for the speedy passage of the MVA, 2017 in Rajya Sabha.

**Deepak Saxena**, Assistant Director, CUTS International in his opening remarks said that the main objective of the meeting is to advocate for the speedy enactment of the

'Motor Vehicle (Amendment) Bill 2017' in Rajya Sabha as it is already passed in lower house and once the Bill is enacted, the advocacy will be for the adoption of rules by the States. While speaking about the current status of India, he stated that the country is



towards the higher side in terms of road accidents. Further, Saxena mentioned that the country has only 2 percent of vehicular population, but it accounts for more than 10 percent of road accidents of the world, which is really an alarming situation. On an average, 1324 accidents occur in one day resulting into 57 accidents per hour and 17 fatalities every hour due to road accidents, he added.

While comparing with the 2014 data, he said that an increase of 2.5 percent in 2015 in road accidents has been observed. In the current year, more than 5 lakh accidents occurred and around 1.46 lakh people lost their lives. While analysing the status of the country, he said that as per the media reports, 1682 times more road fatalities were there in India in 2015 as compared to terrorist fatalities.

Rajasthan holds 5th position in the number of road accidents. While talking about the urgent need of the passing of the MVA Bill, 2016, Saxena said that every month about 12000 people die in road accidents, and due to the delay in bringing the strict laws, consistently people are dying at an alarming rate, which is a huge loss for the country's economy. Most of the people dying in road accidents fall in the age group of 15-34 years, which means the young generation of India is unfortunately becoming victim of deadly roads of India.

Madhu Sudan Sharma, Senior Project Coordinator, from CUTS International explained about the proposed amendments in the MVA Bill, 2017 and highlighted the aims of the same, which are resulting in improving road safety and citizens' ease and facilitation. While dealing with the Transport Department, the issue of driving at high speed was raised, which often results in road accidents? Besides, efforts were also made to enhance the last mile connectivity, strengthening public transport, rural transport, automation, computerisation and enabling



online services. In his presentation, he mentioned that 89 amendments have been proposed in the MVA Bill, 2017.

Madhu Sudan also discussed about the key proposed amendments in the Bill and drew people's attention towards the key concerns like: improving delivery of services, promoting e-governance, enabling online learning licenses, increasing validity period for driving licenses, National Register for Driving License and National Register for Vehicle registration through *Vahan* and *Sarathi* platforms, which would facilitate uniformity of the process across the country. Besides, strengthening driving training process has been to enabling faster issuance of transport licenses, reducing shortage of commercial drivers, doing away with the requirements of educational qualifications for

transport licenses, and improving the registration process for new vehicles will definitely led to safer roads in India.

Registration at the end of the dealer is being enabled and restrictions have been imposed on temporary registration, regulating 'more effectively' the process for testing and certification of automobiles. The testing agencies issuing automobile approvals have been brought under the ambit of the Act and mandate the automated fitness testing for the transport vehicles with effect from October 01, 2018. This would reduce corruption and improve road worthiness of a vehicle.

Taking the attention of audience towards major risk factors, Sharma said the major risk factors are over-speeding, drink and driving, not wearing helmets and car safety belts and child restraint system. He also threw light on increased penalties in all the five risk areas and in general penalties in the proposed MVA Bill, 2016. He also discussed about the newer safety features – accident avoidance systems while buying new vehicles now.



**Prabhat Ranjan**, Inspector, from District Transport Office, Dholpur, speaking on the occasion advised that awareness among the public is needed to achieve the goal of decreasing the road accidents by 50 percent till 2020. He also shared some efforts being made by the District Transport Department to promote road safety and enforcement of the rules. He also explained the importance of Fours **E's** in the road safety i.e. **Education**, **Engineering**, **Enforcement and Emergency**. He also stated that most of the accidents occur due to human fault. Road safety

counsel has been constituted by the Rajasthan government to take care about the road accident related incidents in the State.

J S Parmar, Principal Medical Officer (PMO), District Hospital, Dholpur, Rajasthan discussed the role of the first respondent after any accident and his importance, as the survival of road accident victim highly depends on the treatment he receives in the first two hours of the accident. Then he discussed the loopholes in providing license without any proper verification and driving trial before issuing the driving license. He explained the meaning of Good Samaritan, that a person who in good faith renders



emergency care, without remuneration or expectation of remuneration, at the scene of an accident or emergency to the victim of the accident.

Parmar also shared the importance of Good Samaritan Law, which is also known as 'volunteer protection laws' are state laws that are enacted to protect healthcare

providers and other rescue personnel from being sued as a result of providing help to a victim during an emergency. A Good Samaritan Law provides immunity from liability to an off-duty physician who stops to help someone lying injured at the roadside.

After this, he shared some cases of road accidents that took place during his professional carrier and also elucidated the facilities they are providing to the road accident victims during emergency.



**Sukhram Koli**, Former Member of Legislative Assembly (MLA), Dholpur, Rajasthan, said that road safety is in fact a very sensitive issue, which needs a sincere and committed approach to deal with. He said that lack of awareness is the biggest problem in our society. Whenever accidents take place people only sympathise and do not empathise, they simply stand at the site without taking any step, which is so insensitive, and some simply do not involve in helping the victim due to a fear of legal issues. The first hour after the

road accident plays a critical role in saving the life of an accident victim. Enforcement of rules and regulation is the need of the hour. Any policy or Act is good only when implemented. Overloaded vehicles contribute to 10 percent of total road accidents taking place in India. Big speed breakers and over speeding of the vehicle also contribute in causing the road accidents. At the end of his address, he commended the efforts of CUTS International in road safety.

#### **Session 2: Experiences of Road Accident Victims**

**Dr D S Sisodia** from Dholpur, shared his unfortunate experience of losing his two sons in road accidents one after another in two years. Sisodia's elder son died in the road accident at Dausa while returning from his duty, who got severely injured with a head injury and multiple fractures causing death. His second son also died on the accident spot due to severe head injuries while commuting to Agra. He said that major reason behind both these fatalities was carelessness and over speeding as they were not wearing helmets.





**Netra Pal Parmar** from Baseri, Dholpur shared his personal experience of road accident, in which he lost his two daughters and sons due to the carelessness of the tractortrolley driver. He lost his daughters at the accident spot and his son could not survive even after getting essential medical care.

**Santosh Kumar Shukla**, Dholpur shared his experience of road accident when he had serious fracture in his right leg. The accident took place on August 23, 2007. On account of this mishap, he was not able to walk for many years and still not able to move properly without a support. He also lost his younger brother in road accident in 2013 due to the fault of overtaking by the other driver. Hence, he requested all the participants to wear helmets while driving because prevention is always better than cure.



# **Session 3: Expert Views on Road Safety**

**Anil Goyal**, Chief Coordinator, Savera Samiti, Bharatpur said that road safety is an important issue, which needs a very determined and focussed approach to deal with the same. All segments of a society like the Ministers, MPs and common people are becoming a victim of road accidents causing fatalities. Thereafter, Goyal informed about the agencies involved and their role in road safety.

He also mentioned that enforcement of traffic rules in Bharatpur is negligible and traffic police personnel are just focusing on penalties and *challans*, whereas roads are in miserable condition leading to accidents.

# **Open House Discussion**

The participants took part in open house discussions actively. Some of the suggestions given by the participants are given as following:

- Creating awareness among the common people about the MVA Bill, 2017 through various means is the need of the hour
- Organising proper trainings for the people dealing with the law at the ground level
- Implementing effectively rules and regulation is the greatest challenge for the transport department
- Providing proper orientation should be given while issuing driving license
- Prohibiting over loading of vehicles
- Enhancing trauma centre facilities



#### **Vote of Thanks**

**Dharmendra Chaturvedi**, Programme Officer, CUTS International summed up the proceedings of the meeting. In his concluding remarks, he expressed his gratitude to the resource persons for their informative presentations and consultations. Besides, he also conveyed thanks to the participants for their active involvement and participation in the event.

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# **Programme Schedule**

Time	Activity	Resource Person	
09.30-11:00 am	Arrival, Registration of Delegates & Tea		
11:00-1:00 pm	Inaugural Session		
	Welcome	Rakesh Parmar President, Samajik Vikas Samiti, Dholpur	
	Opening Address &	<b>Deepak Saxena</b> Assit. Director, CUTS International, Jaipur	
	Highlights of MVA Bill, 2017	Madhu Sudhan Sharma Senior Project Coordinator, CUTS International, Jaipur	
	Importance of Trauma Centre after Road Accident	<b>J S Parmar</b> P M.O, District Hospital, Dholpur	
	Initiatives on Road Safety by Government of Rajasthan	Inspector, Transport Department, Dholpur	
	Chief Guest	<b>Sukhram Kohli</b> Former MLA, Baseri Tehsil, Dholpur	
1.00-1.30 pm	Presentations by Accident Victims  • Dr D S Sisodia Dholpur • Netra Pal Parmar Dholpur • Santosh Kumar Shukla Dholpur		
1:30-2:30 pm	Lunch		
2.30-4.00 pm	Expert Views on Road Safety  Moderator: Deepak Saxena Assistant Director, CUTS	Anil Goyal     Chief Coordinator, Savera Samiti,     Bharatpur	
4.00-4.10 pm	<b>Vote of Thanks</b> High Tea, Departure	<b>Dharmendra Chaturvedi</b> Programme Officer, CUTS, Jaipur	

#### In Media

# सड़क दुर्घटनाओं से जीवन को बचाएं - सुखराम कोली

#### सड़क सुरक्षा पर संभाग स्तरीय जागरूकता कार्यक्रम का आयोजन

धौलपुर 27 जून। कट्स-जयपुर एव सामाजिक विकास समिति के संयुक्त तत्वावधान में सड़क सुरक्षा पर संभाग स्तरीय जागरूकता न तर्क तुरका पर सनान स्तराय जागरूकाता कार्यक्रम का आयोजन बसेड़ी पूर्व विधायक कार्यक्रम का आयाजन बसड़ी पूब ावधायक सुखराम कोली के मुख्य आतिच्य में किया गया। जिसमें कोली ने कहा कि सड़क दुर्घटनाओं से अपने जीवन को बचाना जरूरी है। लोग दुर्घटनाओं में घायल की मद्द करने के वजाय मोबाइल पर फोटो लेने का कार्य ज्यादा करते हैं जो उचित नहीं है, हम उस समय घायल की मदद कर उसका जीवन बचा

सकते हैं। कट्स के उप निदेशक दीपक सक्सैना ने मोटर वाहन अधिनियम के प्रावधानों की जानकारी प्रदान जारा जाजानवन के प्रावधाना का जानकार प्रधान कर बताया कि विश्व की सड़क दुर्घटनाओं में भारत की दस प्रतिशत की भागीदारी है भारत में प्रतिदिन लगभग 1324 मींत हो जाती हैं तथा प्रति घण्टा 57 एक्सीडेंट होने से 17 लोगों की मृत्यु हो जाती है। डॉ. जनार्दन सिंह परमार ने बताया कि सड़क हा अ. जनावन ।सह परमार न जवाया का सङ्क दुर्घटनाओं में घायल अग्यात व्यक्ति का जिला अस्पताल के ट्रोमा सेन्टर में बिना कोई समय गंवाए इलाज आरम्भ कर दिया जाता है तथा उसकों दवा, रक्त व रैफर करने पर एम्बुलेन्स की निःशुल्क सुविधा उपलब्ध रहती है, घायल को तुरन्त हॉस्पीटल पहुंचाना चाहिए। कट्स के कार्यक्रम



वरिष्ठ

अधिकारी मधुसूदन शर्मा ने बताया कि मोटर वाहन अधिनियम 1988 के बाद 2017 में संशोधित कर आषानयम् १५०० च जाव २०१७ न सर्वाच्या वर्षे लोकसभा में पारित किया गया है इन्होंने बताया कि को क नए कानून के लागू होने के बाद यातायात नियमों के उलंघन पर कम से कम एक हजार रुपए का क उलवन वर कम स कम एक रुवार रुवर का जुर्माना लगाया जाएगा। उपनिरीक्षक परिवहन प्रभात जुनाना रागाया जाएगा। उपानराव्यक पारवहन प्रभात वार्ध रंजन ने बताया कि सड़क दुर्घटनाओं का कारण सिंह ड्राईवर की गलतियां एवं लापरवाही होती है कार्यक्रम श्रहण जा पटावचा दूप सामाजात कार कार्या में सड़क दुर्घटनाओं के कारण अपने स्वजनों को न सक्क पुनदनाजा क कारण अपन स्वजना का खो चुके डॉ. ड्रूगरसिंह सिसोदिया, नेत्रपाल परमार व सन्तोष शुक्ला ने अपने विचार व्यक्त किए। इनके अलावा अनिल गोयल भरतपुर, रामवीर सिंह

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साम्याजिक विकास समिति शैलपुर के संगुक्त तलाकाव्यक्त में मंगलवार की एक निजी होटल में सङ्क सुरक्षा पर संभाग सरविय जायरूकता कार्यक्रम का आयोजन विकास गांवा मुख्य अतिथि बरोडी

जामक्कता काषकम का आयोजन किया गुणा पुरूप अतिम करिये के प्राचीन्यायक सुख्याम कार्यों के कहा कि सहक दुर्घटनाओं से जीवन को बच्चाना जरूरी हैं। लोग दुर्घटनाओं के दौरान घायल की प्रदक्त करते के बजाया मोक्सक में दद करने के बजाय मोबाइल से फोटो लेने का कार्य ज्यादा करते हैं, जो उचित नहीं है। हमें उस समय यायल की मदद कर उसका जीवन बचाना चाहिए।

#### सड़क नियमों की करें पालना

अध्यक्षता कर रहे कट्स के उप निदेशक दीपक सक्सेना ने बताया कि विश्व की सड़क दुर्घटनाओं में भारत की दस प्रतिशत की भागीदारी भारत को दस प्रांतशत का भागादार है। भारत में प्रतिदिन लगभग 1324 मौतें हो जाती है तथा प्रति बण्या 57 एक्सीडेंट होने से 17 लोगों की मुल्ह होती है। विशिष्ट अतिथि डॉ. जनादैन सिंह परमार ने कहा कि सड़क दुर्घटनाओं में घायल अज्ञात व्यक्ति को जिला

सङ्क नियमों की जानकारी देते अतिथि अस्पताल के द्रोमा सेन्टर में बिना कोई समय गंबाए इलाज के लिए भर्ती कराएं और इलाज शुरू कर दिया जाता है।

#### चालक नहीं करें लापरवाही

कट्स के कार्यक्रम् । अभिकारी मधुसुदन शर्मा ने बाया के के बाद 2017 में संशोधित कर लोकसभा में पारित किया गया है। नए कानून के लागू होने के बाद यातायात नियमों के उल्लंघन पर कम से कम एक हजार रुपए का जुर्माना लगाया जाएगा। परिवहन जुमाना लाग्या जाएगा। पारवहन विभाग उपनिरीक्षक प्रभात रंजन ने कहा कि सङ्क दुर्घटनाओं में चालक की गलीतियां एवं चालक का गलातया एव लापरवाही भी होती है। इस दौरान

सङ्क दुर्घटनाओं में अपने स्वजनों से चुके लोगों ने भी विचार व्यवत किए। जिनमें डॉ. ड्यार, सिंह सिसोदिया, नेत्रनाल परमार, सन्तीध युक्सा, अनिल गोयल भरतपुर, रामकीर सिंह परकंतना व प्रायवती रामबीर सिंह भरकूंजरा व भगवती

प्रसाद शामिल है। अस्ति सामरा व कार्यक्रम का संचालन सामाजिक विकास समिति धौलपुर सामाजिक विकास समिति धीलपुर के अध्यक्ष गुक्रेश कुमार परमार ने किया। इस दौरान धर्मेन्द्र चतुर्वेदी, वर्गिष्ठ परिकटन निरोधक एमएल कुमावत, सत्वपाल सिंह, विपिन बिक्रोगे, दिनेश जादोन, अनेक सिंह, बच्च सिंह, उदमक्षीर सिंह, धर्माबीर सिंह, रामधीर राना, ग्रामनेश्व टेलर, खिन्न सिंह, ग्रामबीर शार्मी, ग्रामबीर सिंह, आस्त्री रामबीर शर्मा, रामबीर सिंह, आरबी सिंह, महावीर डागुर आदि मौजूद



#### **Annexure**

# **List of Participants**

# Divisional Level Advocacy Meeting on Motor Vehicle Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016

# Dholpur, June 27, 2017

S. No.	Name	Name & Address of the Organiation
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5	Abhishek Kumar	Saipau Road, Dholpur
6	Bachchu Singh	VP- Kunkuta, Baseri, Dholpur
7	Surendra Singh Tomar	Vil Atarsuma, Baseri, Dholpur
8	Akani Tyagi	Vil- Luhari, P Sanda, Dholpur
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10	Rakesh Agarwal	Sharda Samiti, Jaipur
11	Anek Singh	Jarga, Baseri, Dholpur
12	Shailesh Singh	Doupura, Baseri, Dholpur
13	Ravindra Singh Parmar	Doupura, Baseri, Dholpur
14	Ram Bharosi Parmar	Baseri
15	Kqpipal Singh	Vil Umrara, Dholpur
16	Suresh Jat	Kansil Sapau, Dholpur
17	Boli Sharma	Baseri, Dholpur
18	Shivendra Singh	VP- Daupura, Baseri, Dholpur
19	Ramdas Tarun	Yuva Chetna Samiti, Bari, Dholpur
20	Sultan Singh	Sunipur, Bari, Dholpur
21	Kulwant Singh	Pohap Singh ka Pura, Baseri
22	Pratap Singh	Vil Dadroni, Sarmathura, Dholpur
23	Shiv Singh Tomar	Vil Subedar ka Pura, Dholpur
24	Asha	Dholpur
25	Braj Mohan Garg	Baseri, Dholpur

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26	Mahavir Agarwal	Baseri, Dholpur
27	Udaiveer Singh Parmar	RSRTC, Dholpur
28	Ramvir Singh	Women Empowerment Dept., Dholpur
29	Bhagwati Prasad Sharma	RAC, Dholpur
30	Sanjay Vaghel	Vil Vishaiyapura
31	Lal Singh	Vil Vishaiyapura
32	Bangali Singh	Vil Daupura, Baseri
33	Bajrang Singh	Vil Daupura, Baseri
34	Ranjit Divakar	Court Campur, Dholpur
35	R.V. Singh Sikarvar	Mahindra Apex Colony, Dholpur
36	Rajveer	Saipau, Dholpur
37	Amvir	Parivartan Sansthan, Bari
38	Prabhat Rajan	Dholpur
39	Gopal Sharma	Jarga, Baseri, Dholpur
40	Rajvir Singh Parmar	Kamla Colony, Dholpur
41	Ramvir Singh Parmar	Karilpura, Baseri, Dholpur
42	Raman	Jarga, Baseri, Dholpur
43	Suresh Chandra	Husainpur, Bari
44	Ramvir Sharma	Karilpura
45	Dr Dungar Sisodiya	Dholpur
46	Kaushal Kishore Sharma	Lohagarh Vikas Samiti, Bharatpur
47	Anil Goyal	Savera Samiti,
48	Vinod Singh	BNP, Bharatpur
49	Sukhram Koli, Ex-MLA	Salempur, Baseri, Dholpur
50	Sangram Singh Parmar	Jarga Nagar Palika, Dholpur
51	Sanjeev Singh	Tulsi Shiksha Samiti, Dholpur
52	Dharmveer Singh	Chorakhera
53	Rizwan Ahmed	Tulsivan Road, Bari, Dholpur
54	Pranav Mukhoye	Bagh Bhawa Saheb, Dholpur
55	Sanjay Sharma	Dholpur
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61	Santosh Shukla	Jarga, Baseri, Dholpur
62	Ram Avatar Choudhary	Bharatpur
63	Rakesh Kumar Parmar	Samajik Vikas Samiti, Jarga, Dholpur
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