ROAD CRASH DATA ANALYSIS IN SRI LANKA



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Outline

- Overview of road safety in Sri Lanka
- Development of Sri Lanka Accident Data Management System
- Decade of Action 2011-2020: Insights from crash data analysis

Overview of Road Safety in Sri Lanka

- Population 22 million
- Per capita GDP \$3814 (in 2021)
- Approx. 3000 deaths per annum
- Vehicle fleet 5.6 million

Fatalities

Deaths per 100k people (all)

Sri Lanka 14.9

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https://extranet.who.int/roadsafety/death-on-the-roads/#country_or_area/LKA

Road Crash Fatalities

- Road fatalities have remained around 3000 p.a range over the last 5 years
- Minor reduction in 2019 & 2020 due to Covid, economic crisis, terror attack related shut down
- Considerable increase between 2014 and 2016 largely attributed due to influx of motor-cycle and three-wheeler into the fleet



Development of Sri Lanka Accident Data Management System

- Sri Lanka Police Traffic Division is responsible for recording crash data and managing road crash database in Sri Lanka
- In 2017/18 the development of a new SLADMS was initiated
- Collaborative project
 - Department of Civil Engineering, University of Moratuwa crash data analytics, review of the issues in existing crash database, designing M&E framework for implementation
 - Effective Solutions Pvt Ltd software development, facilitating training for Police officer, deployment
 - World Health Organization Funding the implementation of the pilot project, capacity building (550+ Police officers trained)
 - National Council for Road Safety Funds to equipment purchase for islandwide implementation, expected date Jan/2023



SLADMS Training Programs

Web System: Accident Recording & View

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Advanced crash data analytics

- Accurate crash location identification allows for spatial analysis
- High crash risk road segment identification using clustering techniques
- Input to optimize deployment of Police officers for enforcement, road agencies for road safety inspections



Number of Pedestrian Accidents by Year and Urban/Rural







Decade of Action (2011-2020): Road Crash Trends

 The major focus over the last decade remain on the road crashes involving motorcycles, three-wheelers and pedestrians

Motorcycle related crashes: Collision types



Motorcycle riders involved in crashes: age wise distribution for Fatal/Grievous/Non-Grievous Crashes



Motorcycle Crashes involving School Children as Pillion Rider



Road crashes involving Pedestrians

- Casualties among those 60+ years increased significantly over the last decade
- School children casualties numbers have marginally reduced





Elderly Pedestrians (Age 60 and above) Accidents by Year



Key issues in Road Crash Analysis

- Data quality
 - Lack of roadway related causal factor identification (more than 90% crash records roadway factors N/A)
 - Inconsistent identification of human factors involved in road crashes
- Promote use of crash data analytics
 - Monitoring and evaluation mechanism for road safety interventions
 - Prioritizing evidence-based road safety interventions that would encourage more use of crash data analysis for decision making
- Data sharing & coordination with other stakeholders
 - Integrating road crash data with road asset management databases, road network risk assessment data (irap ratings etc) for better decision making



THANK YOU!

 First recorded Road accident in the city of Colombo, Ceylon in 1910.