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## SHAANXI MOUNTAIN ROAD SAFETY DEMONSTRATION PROJECT

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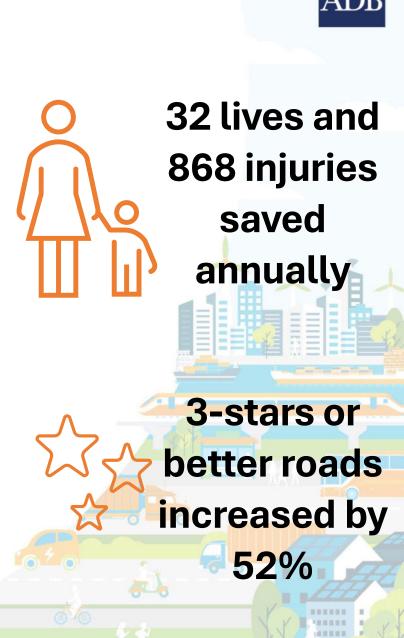
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## **SNAPSHOT**

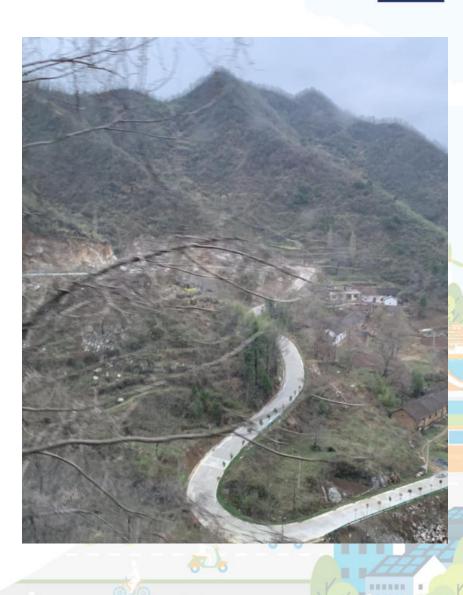
- 🗸 USD 344m, 2015-2020
- 850km roads
- ✓ 3-stars + 个 52%
- Monthly travel 个 31%
- ✓ Deaths ↓ 33%
- 🗸 Injuries 🗸 53%
- 200 professionals trained
- 2,400 students, teachers, parents and residents in activities
- Collaboration between agencies



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## BACKGROUND

- ✓ USD 344m, 2015-2020
- 850km of trunk, rural and additional roads
- ✓ Objectives:
  - Upgrading trunk roads with safety
  - Crash reduction program
  - Strengthening road safety design and management practices
  - Introducing road safety education and community awareness programs

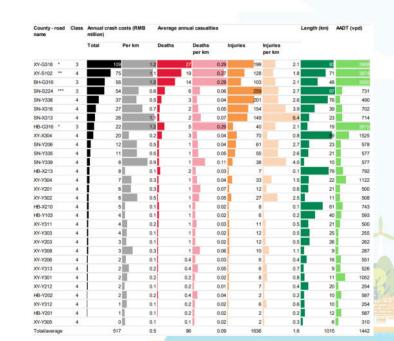




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### CONTEXT

- Safe and sustainable transport a priority in the Twelfth Five-Year Plan (2011–2015)
- Injury rates 4 x national average
- Fatalities and injuries on 1,000km sample cost >US\$80 million
- Earlier ChinaRAP assessments indicated significant opportunities for safety



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# **PROBLEM SOLVING**

### **Barriers**

#### Infrastructure

- Engineers hesitant to implement treatments not in design standards
- "Expensive"

#### Other

- Resistance to cross-departmental collaboration
  - Separate funding
  - Different KPIs
  - Lack of incentives
- Stakeholder and political support

### **Solutions**

- International evidence base (ChinaRAP/iRAP)
- Local, capable technical team
- Pilot project evidence
- Measurable outcomes / economic analysis
- Ministry endorsed a guideline
- National program/agenda aligned
- Leadership
  - Champion within government
  - Bring the right people to the table
  - Communication for collaboration
  - Relevance of content to other stakeholders/partners

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## INNOVATION

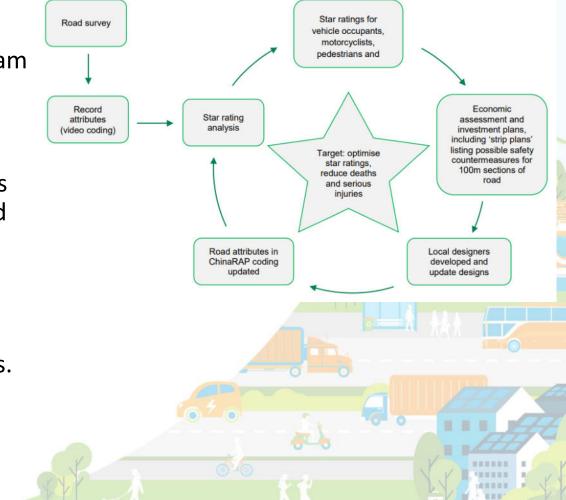
- Safety as the focus.
- ADB's first application of the iRAP star ratings at design stage and postconstruction
- Used iRAP in the economic evaluations.
- Used new guidance on acceptable safety treatments.
- Road safety education and awareness using human-centered design principles.
- First comprehensive program in the PRC to successfully coordinate between transport bureaus, traffic police, and schools to ensure traffic safety for children commuting between school and home.



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### **CHINARAP ASSESSMENTS**

- Baseline, design and postconstruction assessments performed by ChinaRAP team (RIOH, MOT) with iRAP.
- Interactive design process enabled quantitative infrastructure safety targets and indicators to be set and monitored.
- When combined with MOT guidance on safety treatments, significant improvement in star ratings.





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### **ROAD IMPROVEMENTS**





















## **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Baseline survey:



Adults surveyed lack road safety behaviors (no helmets on motorcycle, jaywalking, children sit next to driver, no seatbelts etc.)

25% of adults failed to recognize pedestrian/zebra crossing signs



Children showed less than 70% understanding of what red and green traffic signals meant; only 52% recognized what yellow meant.



Only 52% children recognized pedestrian/zebra crossings





### **HUMAN-CENTERED DESIGN**

 Innovative approach to road safety education and awareness, using human-centered design principles, codesigning and developing meaningful engagement with students and other road users in the community



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# **MEDIA ENGAGEMENT**

- Local media was invited to attend all community engagement activities
- 3 pieces of official media reporting
- 11 social media campaigns run through WeChat and Tik Tok

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# **POLICE ENFORCEMENT**

- Police came to engage closely with the project
- ✓ In 2020:
- 56 enforcement campaign operations implemented
- ✓ 61,310 violations issued
  - 711 driving without licence
  - 3,042 speeding
  - 534 drunk driving
  - 1,750 vehicles were detained
  - 498 licenses confiscated
  - 18 people in jail







### **COMMITMENT, REPLICABILITY, SUSTAINABILITY**

- Active participation in workshops, training increasing capability
- Effective relationships with key stakeholders
- Replication in other ADB projects \*
- ChinaRAP team has strong capability and has supported many subsequent projects throughout China and globally
- Safety treatments implemented are longlasting, often with service lives running into decades
- Sustainable public awareness through an education and awareness campaign



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