

No. EDN- SE-H(10)46/2025 Road Safety
Directorate of School Education
Himachal Pradesh Shimla-1
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To Dated: Shimla-171001 the December, 2025


All the Deputy Directors of Secondary School Education
Himachal Pradesh.

Subject: - Supreme Court Committee on Road Safety-Compliance Report on the findings & recommendations of Audit report on Himachal Pradesh State and other directions of SCCoRS on road safety- Regarding.

In compliance to the letter No. TPT-LA(42)-SCCoRS/Follow up/2021-Vol-II-5885 dated 15-11-2025 received from the Addl. Commissioner Transport Lead Agency/Road Safety Cell HP, Shimla-4 on the subject cited above.

In this regard as per observation/directions given by SCCoRS, you are directed to utilize the allocated funds for conducting road safety awareness activities (100%) judiciously, in accordance with the targets/annual action plan and SOPs issued by the Lead Agency Road Safety Cell, Transport Department, H.P., Shimla -4, as per the Himachal Pradesh Road Safety Fund and activities Rules, 2022. After completion of the activities, the Utilization Certificate ate on prescribed formants enclosed herewith (Annexure-A) and Annexure B) duly signed by the competent authority along with photographs/videos of activities carried out be furnished to this Directorate by the 20th March, 2026, so that same could be sent to the quarter concerned within stipulated time.


Encl: As above.


Additional Director (Admin.)
School Education
Himachal Pradesh

Endst. No. Even Dated: Shimla-171001 December, 2025
Copy for information to:

1. The Addl. Director Transport, Lead Agency/Road Safety Cell Himachal Pradesh Shimla-4, w.r.t. letter referred to the above.
2. The Deputy Director (Education), Road Safety Cell, Directorate of Transport, Shimla-4.
3. The Nodal Officer (Road Safety), Education department, Directorate of Higher Education Shimla-1.
4. The Technical Officer I.T Cell (Internal) Directorate of School Education Shimla-1, to upload the same on departmental Website.
5. Guard file.

Directorate of School Education
30 DEC 2025
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171001


Additional Director (Admin.)
School Education
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**Suggestive list of Road Safety Activities for
Govt. Senior Secondary Schools for the year
2025-26**

1.	Appointment of Nodal Officer at Directorate / State level
2.	Appointment of Nodal Officers at Deputy Director / District level
3.	Constitution of Road Safety Clubs in all Govt. Sr. Secondary Schools
4.	Constitution of Road Safety Committee at School level
5.	Appointment of Road Safety Coordinators / Nodal officers in all Govt. Sr. Secondary Schools
6.	Road Safety Oath during morning assembly
7.	Display of Slogans, Traffic signs, Banners etc. on Road Safety in the School Premises
8.	Meeting of Road Safety Club followed by IEC Activities like Quiz competition/ Declamation / Slogan Writing , Painting , Skit , Street Plays , Songs etc.
9.	Practical Training / Demo / Mock Drill/Guest Lecture to follow Traffic Rules for the students in collaboration with Traffic Police of the area.
10.	Prize distribution Ceremony for the best three winners of each competition
11.	Discussion on Road Safety Awareness agenda during General House of the School
12.	Any other activity related to Road Safety Awareness

Session (2025-26)

"ANNEXURE-B"

FORM OF ABSTRACT OF EXPENDITURE

(for funds released out of the Road Safety Fund of the Transport Department)

Detail of the expenditure incurred out of the funds released under the Road Safety Fund as per "ANNEXURE-A", in respect of this office:

[illegible]

Name / Signature (Nodal Officer Road Safety)
Govt. College.....
DistrictHP

(Signature with official seal)
Name & Designation head of the Institution_____

Date: _____

① 1st cell

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20-11-25

**Urgent and Time Bound
SCCoRS Matter**

TPT-LA(42)-SCCoRS/Follow up/2021-Vol-II — 5885
Directorate of Transport, H.P., Shimla-04
Phone No. 0177-2811335, e-mail :- larsc-tpt@hp.gov.in

From

**Director Transport
Himachal Pradesh**

Directorate of School Education

17 NOV 2025

Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171001

To

1. The Director General of Police,
Nigam Vihar, Shimla-171002.
2. The Engineer in Chief,
HPPWD, Nigam Vihar, Shimla-171002.
3. The Director Health,
Directorate of Health Services, Shimla-171009.
4. The Director, Medical Education & Research,
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171009.
5. The Director,
Directorate of Higher Education, - Shimla-171001.
6. The Director,
Directorate of School Education, - Shimla-171001.
7. Director, Urban Development,
Palika Bhavan, Talland Milsington Estate, Shimla-171002.
8. The Secretary, State Transport Authority (STA),
Directorate of Transport, Shimla-04.
9. The Regional Officer, NHAI House No. 1,
Rishikesh Sadan Shanti Kutia, Chakkar, Shimla-171005.
10. The Regional Officer, MoRTH Room No. 512,
Nirman Bhawan, Nigam Vihar, Shimla-171002.
11. The Chief Engineer, BRO Deepak Project,
Chakker H.P., Shimla- 171005.
12. The Chief Engineer, BRO Yojak Project, Manali,
Distt. Kullu, H.P.-175131.

Dated: Shimla the 17th November, 2025

Subject:- Supreme Court Committee on Road Safety – Compliance Report on the findings & recommendations of Audit Report on Himachal Pradesh State and other directions of SCCoRS on road safety-Regarding.

11. Sir/Madam,


Please find enclosed herewith a letter No. 8/CoRS/2021 (Vol.10) dated 21st October, 2025 received from the Secretary, Hon'ble Supreme Court Committee on Road Safety (SCCoRS), on the subject cited above, vide which the Hon'ble Supreme Court Committee on Road Safety has issued certain observation/directions to the State Government / Stakeholder departments on its findings/ recommendations submitted to SCCoRS vide letter No. 8/CoRS/2021 (Vol. 8) Dated 28-10-2024. The copy of observation/directions is enclosed as Annexure-"A".

In this regard, you are requested to comply with the observation/direct given by the SCCoRS pertaining to your department/ organisation and the compliance report could be submitted to the Lead Agency/ Road Safety Cell of the Transport Department by 31.12.2025 positively, so that consolidated compliance report of State Government could be submitted to the SCCoRS accordingly after due compilation.

Personal attention / top most priority be given being Supreme Court Matter Please.

Encl:- As above.


Yours faithfully


Addl. Commissioner (Transport)
Lead Agency/ Road Safety
H.P. Shimla-171

Endst No. (As above) dated Shimla the 29 November, 2025

Copy for information to:

1. The Chief Secretary to the Govt, of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-02
2. The Addl. Chief Secretary (Transport) to the Govt. of H.P., Shimla-02
3. The All Deputy Commissioners-cum-Chairman, District Road Safety Committee, Himachal Pradesh for information and necessary action.


Addl. Commissioner (Transport)
Lead Agency/ Road Safety
H.P. Shimla-171



SUPREME COURT COMMITTEE ON ROAD SAFETY

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File No. 8/CoRS/2021 (Vol.10)
Dated 21st October, 2025

To

Shri Prabodh Saxena,
Chief Secretary,
Government of Himachal Pradesh,
Shimla.
E mail: cs-hp@nic.in

Sub: Supreme Court Committee on Road Safety - Compliance Report on the findings & recommendations of Audit Report on Himachal Pradesh State and other directions of SCCoRS on road safety- Regarding.

Sir,

Kindly refer to Government of Himachal Pradesh's letter No. TPT-F(9)-3/2016-IV dated 25.03.2025 furnishing therewith a compliance report on the findings/recommendations listed in the Audit Report and other directions of SCCoRS on road safety, in response to SCCoRS' letter No. 08/CoRS/2021 (Vol.8) dated 28.10.2024.

2. The measures taken by the State have been examined by the SCCoRS. However, ongoing through the compliance report of the State, SCCoRS desires that the State should also act on the Committee's following observations/directions:

Sl. No.	Audit findings & other directions of SCCoRS	Observations of SCCoRS on the Compliance Report of the STATE
1	2	3
1	<u>Dedicated full time staff in the Lead Agency</u> The SCCoRS invites the attention of the State to Committee's direction dated 24 th November 2016 which clearly states that the Lead Agency should be a separate entity having officers/staff from all the stake holding Departments. Since then, the State has been reminded/directed on a few occasions to honor the directions of the	The State Government is again directed to comply with the directions of SCCoRS on having a full time staff in the Lead Agency without further loss of time. Status about posting of medical officer on a full-time basis in Lead Agency may be furnished. <u>Annexure A claimed to be attached is not found attached with the compliance report submitted by the State Government. The State Government should ensure that all annexures are attached with the compliance report to prevent delays.</u>

	Committee but without much success. The State is again directed to act on this direction expeditiously.	<p>List showing details of officers/ officials posted in Lead Agency/ Road Safety Cell may be immediately furnished to the SCCoRS.</p> <p>The State is also directed to provide training to all the members of the lead agency on road safety accordingly to the course curriculum stated before.</p>
2	<p><u>District Road Safety Committees</u></p> <p>The SCCoRS directs the State that now that Elections have been held, regular meetings of the DRSCs may be convened.</p>	<p>Annexure A is not found to be attached with the compliance report. State Government is directed to furnish details of the district wise DRSCs meetings held in the year 2024 and 2025(till today) for perusal of SCCoRS.</p> <p>The State Government is also directed to ensure that their directions to convene the DRSC meetings regularly is being complied with by the respective stakeholders.</p>
3	<p><u>State Road Safety Council</u></p> <p>The SCCoRS impresses upon the Lead Agency to ensure the holding meetings of the Road Safety Council regularly, i.e. at least twice a year and furnish copies of the minutes to the Committee for its perusal.</p>	<p>Annexure A is not found to be attached with the compliance report. Minutes of the SRSC meeting held on 28.8.2024 along with Action Taken Report may be furnished to SCCoRS for perusal. Also, ensure that each year minimum two meetings of safety Council are held at an interval of six months.</p>
4	<p><u>Utilization of Road Safety Fund</u></p> <p>The Road Safety Fund has to be spent judiciously making annual plans for all the road safety pillars.</p>	<p>Annexure A is not found to be attached with the compliance report. However, details furnished have been noted. Copy of the Minutes of the State Level Managing Committee (SLMC) Meeting held on 5.8.24 may be furnished to SCCoRS for perusal.</p>
5.	Road Safety Policy and Road Safety Action Plan	<p>Details furnished about installation of electronic enforcement equipment by including use of ITS for enforcement and Road Safety Monitoring & Evaluation framework and also allocation of funds for procurement of electronic enforcement equipment etc. have been noted. Annexure A is not found to be enclosed.</p>
6	<p><u>Road Accident Data Collection, Recording and Analysis</u></p> <p>The SCCoRS invites the attention of the State to Section 135A which also mandates the State to prepare one or more schemes to provide for wayside amenities on highways, traffic aid posts on highways, truck parking complexes along highways and any other amenities in the interests of the safety and the convenience of the public. SCCoRS directs the State to</p>	<p>A copy of road accident data book -"Accident Himachal Pradesh-2023" has been received.</p> <p>Annexure A is not found to be attached with the compliance report. Minutes of the Meeting held 6.2.25 under the chairmanship of Addl. Ch Secretary(Tpt),Govt. of HP may be furnished.</p>

..	furnish a copy of the Scheme which the State may have notified in this regard.	
7	<p><u>Driver Licensing System</u></p> <p>The State to keep the SCCoRS apprised of the progress of ADTT cum Traffic Park being set up in Una, from time to time.</p> <p>The State to set up ADTT preferably in all RTOs in a phased manner to reduce human intervention in licensing process.</p>	<p>Details furnished have been noted. However, Annexure C is not found to be attached.</p> <p>Details furnished have been Noted. Annexure A is not found to be attached. The same may be provided.</p>
8	<p><u>Linking of Traffic Violations and Drivers Licenses</u></p> <p>The State to keep SCCoRS informed of the progress on integration of Vahan with Sarathi database from time to time.</p>	Details furnished have been noted. However, Annexure B is not found to be attached. The same may be furnished immediately.
9	<p><u>Verification-Traffic Lights in Cities</u></p> <p>SCCoRS directs the State/Lead Agency to coordinate with all the road owning agencies and furnish compliance to the Committee as merely issuing directions will not serve the purpose and Lead Agency has to monitor also.</p>	Details furnished have been noted.
10	<p><u>Black Spots</u></p> <p>The State to keep the SCCoRS apprised of the progress achieved from time to time in treating the Black Spots.</p>	<p>Details furnished have been noted.</p> <p>Current Status in respect of ongoing 12 Long term corrections and 3 long term corrections of Black Spots under NHAI may be furnished.</p> <p>Annexure C is not found to be attached hence updated status of various projects mentioned cannot be perused. The same may be furnished immediately.</p>
11	<p><u>Road Safety Audits</u></p> <p>Lead Agency to obtain updated reports on audit recommendations from all the road owning agencies and furnish consolidated report to the Committee for perusal.</p>	<p>Annexure C is not found to be attached hence, the updated status of Road Safety Audit of HP-PWD, NHAI and other projects cannot be perused.</p> <p>The State Government is directed to confirm whether NHAI has complied with the road safety audit observations have been complied by 30.1.2025.</p> <p>It is observed that almost all the annexures mentioned are missing. Such type of negligence has to be avoided in future.</p>

12	<u>Verification - Traffic Calming Measures</u> Lead Agency to obtain updated reports from all the road owing agencies and furnish consolidated report to the Committee for perusal especially the physical traffic calming measures.	Annexure C is not found to be attached hence the details cannot be perused. However, information furnished in respect of PWD,NHAI, PIU Poanta Sahib and Project Deepak have been noted.
13	<u>Verification - Road Sign Markings and Traffic Lights</u> The Lead Agency to ensure compliance with the audit recommendation under intimation to the Committee.	Annexure C& Annexure F have not been found attached. However, details furnished have been noted.
14	<u>Verification - Driver Rest Areas, Truck Layt-Byes and Bus Bayes</u>	Details furnished have been Noted.
15	<u>Verification - Hoardings and objects obstructing driving</u>	Noted.
16	<u>Verification - Footpaths, Crossing facilities and Service Roads</u> The Lead Agency to ensure that the Audit recommendation is implemented on ground and obtain compliance from the Urban Development	Annexures C & F have not been found to be attached. However, details furnished have been noted.
17	<u>Verification - Encroachment</u> The Lead Agency to ensure that the audit recommendation is implemented on ground under intimation to the Committee.	Annexure F has not been found attached hence details cannot be perused. The same may be sent immediately.
18	<u>Bridge Safety</u> The repair of the vulnerable bridges be carried out within a fixed time frame. The Lead Agency to keep the Committee apprised of the progress achieved from time to time.	<p>As Annexure C has not been attached, details cannot be perused. Annexure C may be furnished immediately.</p> <p>The State Government is directed to confirm whether the work on only vulnerable bridge in Kullu Mana NH03 has been completed in June,2025.</p> <p>Moreover, SCCoRS had given directions to all States to conduct regular Audits on bridges and Culver periodically, at least once in 3 years and to ensure that all bridges/ culverts in the State (irrespective of the Departments to which they belong) are safe and maintained as per the prescribed norms. The State was also directed to share the Annual programme for repairing/ replacing the bridge in the State with the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways and SCCoR</p>

		Reference SCCoRS letter No.01/CoRS/2025 dated 22.1.2025. The State is directed to furnish the Action Taken Report in the matter and also the current status of maintenance of Bridges/ Culverts in the State to the Committee for its perusal.
19	<u>Safety on Low Volume Roads</u> The State/Lead Agency to get the list of low volume roads identified as vulnerable from the road owning agencies and get the road safety audit done in a time bound manner under intimation to the Committee.	Annexure C is not attached with this letter. Hence details cannot be seen. The same may be furnished immediately. The State Government is directed to confirm whether NHAI has complied with the audit observation in respect of 261 cases where timeline was given as 30.1.2025.
20.	<u>Verification - Policy for installation and maintenance of crash barriers</u> The State to take stern action against such contractors, cancel their contracts, blacklist them, and forfeit their payment/deposits, where crash barriers are damaged/unrepaired, sub-standard etc. Also take necessary departmental action against erring officers/officials as stated in the amended MV Act. Crash Barriers according to specifications are to be installed at all such places where Run Off the Road accidents happen. The State is again directed to frame the maintenance policy for crash barriers for the hilly topography of the State. do the same.	Annexures A & C are not found to be attached. The same may be sent immediately. The State Government is directed to ensure that various targets given to stakeholders for replacement/maintenance of damaged crash barriers during the year 2024-25 have been completed by 31.3.2025. It has been Noted that there is no case reported against any contractor till now. Noted that runoff the road accident deaths in the State in last 3 years i.e.2021-2023 have reduced to almost 5% , which is commendable. Due to non-availability of Annexure C, details furnished in respect of PWD,NHAI, PIU etc. cannot be perused. Details about PIU Paonta Sahib & Bro Deepak have been noted. However, the State has to confirm that all the streets have lighting provisions.
21	<u>Verification - Street Lighting on Highways</u>	Installation of Solar Streetlights at PIU Poanta Sahib has been noted.
22	<u>Verification - Enforcement Equipment</u> the State to make available the equipment and have maintenance policy for this equipment as now e-challaning will be enforced more rigorously and equipment will be needed.	Annexure B has not been found attached with this report. The same may be furnished immediately. The State has to be confirm that the enforcement equipment are as per the BPRD norms.

23	<p>Verification - Adequacy of Traffic Police</p> <p>The State to fill the gap expeditiously.</p>	<p>Current status of the Action Plan may be furnished. Annexure B is not found to be attached.</p>
24	<p>Verification - Compliance with Helmet Usage, seat belts and mobile phone usage.</p>	<p>The Detail furnished regarding increase of challan of non-wearing of helmets by the driver and pillion rider of two wheelers by 10% in 2024-25 has been noted. Annexure A is not found to be attached. It is to be confirmed by the State that the fixed targets have been achieved.</p>
25	<p><u>Verification - Helmet Specifications</u></p> <p>It is observed that more than 9 months have lapsed since the issue of the draft notification inviting suggestions/objections from stakeholders for production of authorized receipt for purchase of two numbers of headgears conforming to the BIS specifications before registration of motorcycle. It is being observed that around 15% of the deaths in road accidents have happened due to non-wearing of headgear. State to immediately issue the said notification so that precious human lives could be saved.</p>	<p>Annexure B is not found to be attached. The same may be furnished for the perusal of SCCoRS.</p>
26	<p><u>Enforcement of Overloading and Overcrowding</u></p> <p>The number of Challenged buses for overcrowding is too small for a Hilly State like Himachal Pradesh. The State needs to take proactive action in this regard as overcrowding in buses sometimes also results in "Run off the Road" situations. the State to carry out strict enforcement of the MV Act against violators.</p>	<p>Details furnished have been noted.</p>
27	<p><u>Driver Training Institute for Commercial Drivers and Vehicle Inspection Centres for Commercial Vehicles</u></p> <p>State to keep the Committee apprised of the progress from time to time in respect of (i) the under construction of Inspection and Certification Centre at Baddi, District Solan for vehicle fitness constructed to be</p>	<p>Annexure B is not found to be attached. The same may be furnished.</p> <p>The State is directed to confirm whether the remaining civil work has since been completed by the contractor concerned in respect of the Inspection and Certification Centre at Baddi District Solan.</p>

	completed by August 2024 and (ii) finalization of RFP for establishment of one ATS in each District	Current Status of setting up of Automated Testing Stations in the State may be furnished.
28	<u>Audit of Private Driving Schools</u> The State to keep the SCCoRS apprised of the result of the audited driving training schools.	Noted that the RTOs are frequently submitting their compliance report of inspection of Driving Training Schools in their jurisdiction to the Transport Department of the State. However, Annexure B as stated to be enclosed, is not found. The same may be furnished for perusal of SCCoRS.
29	Capacity Building	Additional Details have been Noted.
30	<u>Trauma Care System Plan</u> State is directed to keep the SCCoRS informed of progress 11 Trauma Cares from time to time.	Annexure D is not found to be attached. The same may be provided. Details provided have been noted. However, it is reiterated that the State to keep the SCCoRS informed of progress in this regard.
31	GIS based Mapping of Ambulances and Healthcare Facilities	Current position in respect of GIS mapping of private ambulances may be intimated.
32	<u>Adequacy of Ambulances for Emergency Response</u> The SCCoRS feels that though the population of the State is around 70 lakhs because of its hilly and difficult terrain and it being sparsely populated the norms set for plain areas cannot be strictly applied to it. Therefore, the State to compare its availability of ambulances with other hilly States like Uttarakhand or J&K. The State to indicate the timelines within which the additional 20 ambulances will be procured.	Annexure D has not been found to be attached. However, it has been noted that the ratio of ambulances to population in the state of HP are more than that of Uttarakhand and J&K. Current position in respect of hiring of 5-ALS ambulances under the fleet of NAS-108 may be furnished. Annexure D may also be provided.
33	<u>Verification-Gap Analysis for Healthcare Infrastructure, Manpower, Equipment and Organizational Functions.</u> The study by National Health System Resource Centre (NHSRC) has pointed out many serious and critical gaps in the hospitals studied. The State is required to fill these identified critical gaps urgently and, in a time-bound manner. The State to keep the SCCoRS informed of the steps taken by the State in filling the identified gaps.	Annexure D is not found to be attached. Present position in this case may be furnished.

34	Verification - Training of Pre-hospital Trauma Technicians The Lead Agency to obtain the Action Taken Report from the concerned Department on following the standardized pre-hospital trauma technician curriculum for training of pre-hospital trauma technician/staff nurses and furnish the same for perusal of the Committee.	Annexure D is not found to be attached, the same may be sent. Current status in this matter may be furnished.
35	<u>Good Practice in Trauma Care by the State</u> The SCCoRS observes that the average response time indicated by the State does not commensurate with the distance to be covered by the Ambulance to reach the Trauma Care Facility. The situation is aggravated as the number of Trauma Care Facilities in the State is highly inadequate. The problem is further compounded by the fact that the Hospitals do not have equipment and trained doctors or paramedical staff meaning thereby that even if the road accident victim reaches the Hospital in golden hour, he may still lose his life. Therefore, it is of utmost importance to increase Trauma Care Facilities in the State with necessary equipment and trained staff. The State is to act on this expeditiously under intimation to the Committee.	Annexure D may be sent as the same has not been found to be attached. Latest position in respect of setting up of New Trauma Care Facilities at RH Keylong, RH Reckong Peo and GMC Nahara may be furnished.
<u>Additional directions to enhance road safety</u>		
36	The Lead Agency is directed to ensure implementation of the directions dated 24.11.2016 given by the Committee and pointed out by the Audit and furnish compliance thereof for perusal of the Committee.	Noted.
✓ 37	<u>Road Safety Action Plan</u> The SCCoRS is surprised to note that despite its directions dated 23 rd December 2014 to prepare a Road Safety Action Plan in the format prescribed by the Government of India and submit the plan to the MoRTH with a copy to the Committee, the State has	Details furnished have been noted. However, Annexure A is not found to be attached. The same may be furnished urgently.

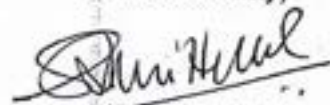
..	not prepared the same even after more than 9 years. State to prepare the Road Safety Action Plan and furnish a copy of the same to the Committee urgently.	
B - Observations/Direction of the SCCoRS on the status report submitted by the State vide letter No. TPT-LA (42)RSC-SCCoRS-2021-Vol-I-18861 dated 12th June 2024		
38.	<u>Training to the Officers and staff of Lead Agency</u> Earlier training to any new member/members in Lead Agency is also to be ensured.	Details furnished have been noted. However, Annexure A may be provided at the earliest.
39.	<u>Reduction in road accident fatalities</u> State to keep SCCoRS apprised of the progress in treating the vulnerable and black spots and also do the monitoring and evaluation of the treated sites.	Annexure C is not found to be attached with this report. The same may be provided at the earliest.
40.	<u>Setting up of targets for helmet wear, etc.</u> State to intimate the targets fixed for 2024 and actual achievement against such target in the next report.	Annexure A is not found to be attached with the report. The same may be provided at the earliest. The State Government is directed to confirm whether the targets fixed under the various heads for reduction of Road Accidents in the year 2024-25 have actually been achieved. If not, reasons thereof may also be intimated.
C - Additional Directions		
41.	Setting up Annual targets for reduction of fatalities	Details furnished in respect of reduction in road accidents and fatalities in the years 2023 and 2024 are noted. However, the iRAD database report for the period from Jan-June, 2025 shows a total number of Accidents occurred as 909 and no. of fatalities as 349 i.e. 38% of total number of accidents which is at a higher rate. The State Government is directed to clarify the reasons. The State Government is also directed to enforce traffic laws more strictly to prevent accidents/fatalities in the State.
42.	<u>Junctions/inter-sections</u> The SCCoRS may be kept apprised of the progress from time to time.	Annexure-C is not found to be attached. The same may be provided immediately.
43.	Offences by Juveniles	From the report on "Road Accidents in Himachal, 2023", it has been observed that number of Juvenile drivers killed in 2023 (33 cases) has increased by 65% as compared to that in 2022 (20

		<p>cases). The State Government is directed to provide reasons for the significant growth observed over the past one year.</p> <p>It is reiterated that the State Government is required to enforce traffic laws more strictly and take necessary actions against the violators to prohibit juvenile driving in the State. An Action Taken Report may be furnished to the Committee.</p>
44.	<p><u>Quarterly Reports.</u></p> <p>The State to submit four quarterly reports viz. (i) Road Accident Data (ii) enforcement of traffic laws and implement the Supreme Court Committee's directions dated 18.8.2015 & 17.11.2015 (iii) 3rd Party - Insurance of vehicles and (iv) fitment of speed limit devices prescribed by the SCCoRS.</p> <p>The State to furnish these reports (each report separately and not clubbed together in one sheet) in the month following the quarter to which they belong to the SCCoRS regularly.</p>	<p>The Quarterly report for the period from Jan-March, 2025 (1st Quarter) sent by the State via Mail dated 3.6.2025 does not contain the Annexure attached. The same may be provided.</p> <p>It is reiterated that the <u>State Government should ensure that all annexures are attached with the compliance report properly to prevent further delays.</u></p>
45.	<p><u>Failure to comply with standards for road design, construction and maintenance</u></p> <p>State to intimate the number of authorities, contractors, consultants or concessionaires against whom the action has been initiated as mentioned at (a) above and if no action has been taken then the reasons for the same.</p>	<p>The requisite information may be furnished immediately.</p> <p>This report was sought from the State by 31.1.2025 vide SCCoRS letter dated 28.10.2024 and the State has furnished the compliance in March, 2025 i.e. in 5 months' time. This 5 months period should be more than enough to seek information from the respective road ownin agencies and providing to the Committee. The State Government is directed to ensure the response within the time period specified by the Committee for providing information.</p>
46.	<p><u>Hit and Run Cases</u></p> <p>SCCoRS desires to know the steps taken by the State to bring down these numbers.</p> <p>State to identify such vulnerable stretches where 'Hit and Run' cases were the most and install CCTV/ANPR cameras at these</p>	<p>From the details furnished, it has been observe that Hit and Run cases are increasing annually. Number of Hit & Run Cases & number of fatalities have increased by 30% and 28% respectively during the last 4 years period from 2021-2024 per the data provided by the State, which is n</p>

<p>places to identify the vehicle/driver responsible for such an accident..</p>	<p>appreciated. The State Government is directed to provide reasons in this regard.</p> <p>Action taken by the State to identify such vulnerable stretches where 'Hit and Run' cases were the most may also be furnished. It is to be ensured that on these locations CCTV Cameras or traffic police personnel are placed to reduce these fatalities.</p> <p>Annexure B is not found to be attached with the report. The same may be furnished immediately for perusal of the Committee.</p>
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3. The SCCoRS directs that the above observations be complied with by the State and other Stakeholder Departments/Agencies and the State Lead Agency should coordinate, collect, collate the information, and submit a concise consolidated, comprehensive compliance report to the Committee by 15th January, 2026, positively.
4. This issues with the approval of the Chairman, Supreme Court Committee on Road Safety.

Yours faithfully,



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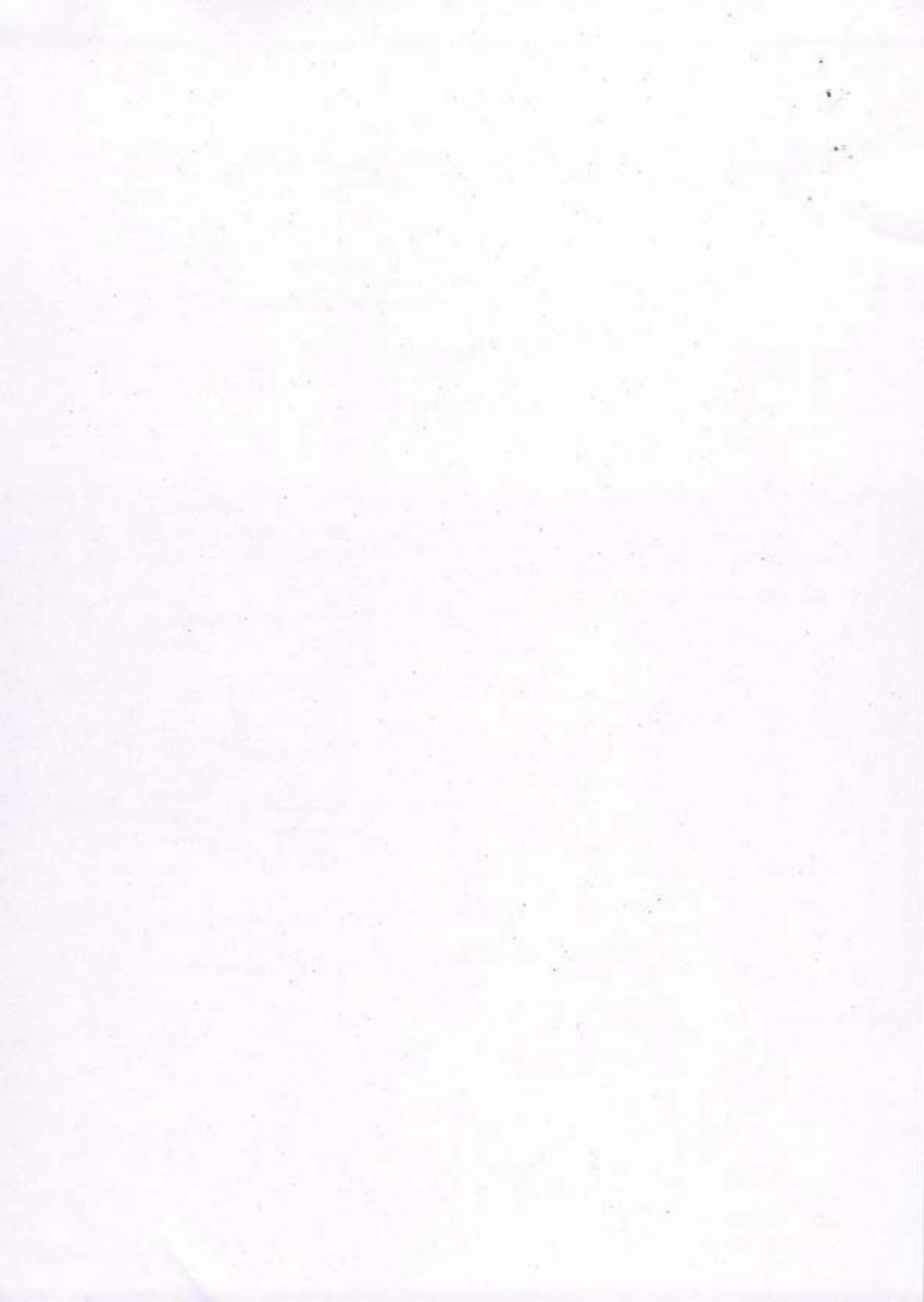
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Annexure-A

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Subject: Supreme Court Committee on Road Safety: Action taken by the Government of Himachal Pradesh on the final audit report on road safety - Observation/Directions of the Committee.

Sir,

The Supreme Court Committee on Road Safety (SCCoRS) took note of the compliance report No.TPT-LA (1) RSC-SCCoRS-2021 - Vol-I-18152 dated 22nd April 2024 on implementation of findings/recommendations listed in the Final Audit Report submitted by the State to the SCCoRS.

The measures taken by the State have been examined by the SCCoRS. The SCCoRS has desired that the State should also take follow up action on its following observations/directions:

S. No	Finding/Recommendation	OBSERVATIONS/DIRECTIONS OF THE SUPREME COURT COMMITTEE ON ROAD SAFETY (SCCoRS)
A	1	2
1	Dedicated full time staff in the Lead Agency	<p>a) The State has mentioned that with the posting of full-time members deputed from all stake-holding Departments (including Health) in the Lead Agency the point has been complied with.</p> <p>b) The SCCoRS, however, notes that the officer from the Department of Health posted in the Lead Agency will work in the Agency on alternate days meaning thereby that the officer will not be working full time in the Lead Agency.</p> <p>c) The SCCoRS invites the attention of the State to Committee's direction dated 24th November 2016 which clearly states that the Lead Agency should be a separate entity having officers/staff from all the stake holding Departments. Since then, the State has been reminded/directed on a few occasions to honour the</p>

		directions of the Committee but without much success. The State is again directed to act on this direct expeditiously.
2	District Road Safety Committees	<p>a) The SCCoRS notes that the Chief Secretary has directed the Deputy Commissioners to hold meetings of the DRSCs in accordance with the directions given by the Committee. Pursuant to this direction, five DRSCs (namely Bilaspur, Chamba, Hamirpur, Kinnaur and Una) met once in their respective jurisdictions. Other DRSCs could not meet due to the involvement of the State machinery in General Elections.</p> <p>b) The SCCoRS also notes that districts are preparing district specific road safety action plans and submitting proposals to Lead Agency for funding.</p> <p>c) The SCCoRS directs the State that now that Elections have been held, regular meetings of the DRSCs may be convened.</p>
3	State Road Safety Council	<p>a) The SCCoRS notes that the State has since reconstituted the H.P. State Transport Development and Road Safety Council on 26.03.2024.</p> <p>b) The SCCoRS impresses upon the Lead Agency to ensure holding meetings of the Road Safety Council regularly, at least twice a year and furnish copies of the minutes to the Committee for its perusal.</p>
✓ 4	Utilisation of Road Safety Fund	The SCCoRS notes that the Lead Agency has complied with Audit recommendation and is now funding various multi sector road safety activities including institutional, engineering enforcement, education, and emergency care from the Road Safety Fund. Road Safety Fund has to be spent judiciously in annual plans for all the road safety pillars.
5	Road Safety Policy and Road Safety Action Plan	<p>a) The Audit recommendation that the Road Safety Policy needs to be revamped to include use of ITS in enforcement and Road Safety Monitoring and Evaluation framework has been noted by the State.</p> <p>b) The State has also incorporated the provisions for provision of money for enforcement through ITMS.</p> <p>c) The procedure as to how the fund will be systematically utilized by the stake holding departments and DRSCs has also been noted by the SCCoRS.</p>

6	Road Accident Data Collection, Recording and Analysis	<p>a) The SCCoRS notes that the road accident data is being reported through iRAD since 01.10.2022 in the State.</p> <p>b) The SCCoRS also notes that the State has furnished a copy of the booklet "Road Accidents in Himachal 2022" and that it has been distributed amongst all Stakeholder departments.</p> <p>c) The State Government has also furnished a copy of the scheme to investigate all road crashes that involve fatality or serious injury.</p> <p>d) Regarding this, the SCCoRS invites the attention of the State to Section 135A which in addition to preparing a scheme for investigation of road crashes also mandates the State to prepare one or more schemes to provide for wayside amenities on highways, traffic aid posts on highways, truck parking complexes along highways and any other amenities in the interests of the safety and the convenience of the public.</p> <p>e) The State had earlier informed that a draft scheme under Section 135 of the MV Act providing for an in-depth study on causes and analysis of motor vehicle accidents as also providing for the facilities listed in (d) above in the State has been prepared and submitted to Government for consideration.</p> <p>f) The SCCoRS directs the State to furnish a copy of the Scheme which the State may have notified in this regard.</p>
7	Driver Licensing System	<p>a) The State has informed that Automated Driving Testing Track (ADTT) cum Traffic Park is being set up in Una for conducting driving test for Light Motor Vehicles from the road safety funds and that construction work will be started shortly after completion of tendering process.</p> <p>b) The State is directed to keep the SCCoRS apprised of the progress from time to time.</p>
8	Linking of Traffic Violations and Drivers Licences	<p>a) The SCCoRS notes that the matter relating to integration of Vahan with Sarathi data base has been taken up with NIC for issuing e-challan to repeat offenders.</p> <p>b) The State to keep SCCoRS informed of the progress from time to time.</p>
9	Verification-Traffic Lights in Cities	<p>a) Regarding the Audit recommendation relating to inadequacy/non-functioning of traffic signals at major junctions, the State has mentioned that the directions have been conveyed to all the Road owning Agencies for compliance.</p> <p>b) The SCCoRS directs the State/Lead Agency to coordinate with all the road owning agencies and furnish compliance to the Committee as merely issuing directions will not serve the purpose. Lead Agency has to monitor also.</p>
10	Black Spots	<p>a) Noted.</p> <p>b) The State is directed to keep the SCCoRS apprised of the progress achieved from time to time in treating the Black Spots.</p>

11	Road Safety Audits	<p>a) The SCCoRS notes that necessary directions for compliance with Audit recommendations have been conveyed to all road owning agencies.</p> <p>b) The SCCoRS directs the Lead Agency to obtain updated reports from all the road owning agencies, collate these and furnish consolidated report to the Committee for perusal.</p>
12	Verification - Traffic Calming Measures	<p>a) The SCCoRS notes that necessary directions for compliance with Audit recommendations have been conveyed to all road owning agencies.</p> <p>b) The SCCoRS directs the Lead Agency to obtain updated reports from all the road owning agencies, collate these and furnish consolidated report to the Committee for perusal especially the physical traffic calming measures.</p>
13	Verification - Road Sign Markings and Traffic Lights	<p>a) Noted.</p> <p>b) The SCCoRS notes that necessary direction has been conveyed to Urban Development Department for compliance.</p> <p>c) The SCCoRS directs the Lead Agency to ensure compliance with the audit recommendation under intimation to the Committee.</p>
14	Verification - Driver Rest Areas, Truck Layt-Byes and Bus Bays	Noted.
15	Verification - Hoardings and objects obstructing driving	Noted.
16	Verification - Footpaths, Crossing facilities and Service Roads	<p>a) The SCCoRS notes that necessary direction has been conveyed to Urban Development Department for compliance.</p> <p>b) The SCCoRS also notes that during the year 2022, pedestrians (19%) lost their lives out of 1032 fatal road accidents. These fatalities could have been avoided if provision for paved pedestrian pathways were there on roads and the footpaths were encroachment free.</p> <p>c) The SCCoRS directs the Lead Agency to ensure that Audit recommendation is implemented on ground to obtain compliance from the Urban Development Department under intimation to the Committee.</p>

7	Verification Encroachment	<p>a) The SCCoRS notes that Shimla Municipal Corporation already has a vending policy and that dedicated vending complexes are being constructed.</p> <p>b) Regarding the other Audit point that other urban local bodies should also develop and notify vending policy the Lead Agency has mentioned that the observation/recommendation has been conveyed to the Urban Development Department.</p> <p>c) The SCCoRS directs the Lead Agency to ensure that the audit recommendation is implemented on ground under intimation to the Committee.</p>
8	Bridge Safety	<p>a) The SCCoRS notes that the HPPWD has identified 121 vulnerable bridges where narrow approaches need to be improved.</p> <p>b) The SCCoRS directs that the repair of the vulnerable bridges be carried out within a fixed time frame. The Lead Agency to keep the Committee apprised of the progress achieved from time to time.</p>
19	Safety on Low Volume Roads	<p>a) It has been indicated by the State that directions to field offices have been made to ensure the compliance of the SCCoRS recommendations.</p> <p>b) The SCCoRS directs the State/Lead Agency to get the list of low volume roads identified as vulnerable from the road owning agencies and get the road safety audit done in a time bound manner under intimation to the Committee.</p>
20	Verification - Policy for installation and maintenance of crash barriers	<p>a) The SCCoRS notes that the State has a notified policy for replacement/maintenance of damaged crash barriers.</p> <p>b) The Audit has, however, pointed out that there are numerous locations where crash barriers are damaged/unrepaired, sub-standard, having faulty end treatment, etc. despite having maintenance contracts for most roads. It is apparent that the engaged contractors are not doing the assigned job and there is laxity on the part of the engineers/officials responsible for checking and getting the same rectified within the fixed time frame.</p> <p>c) The SCCoRS directs the State to take stern action against such contractors, cancel their contracts, blacklist them, and forfeit their payment/deposits. Also take necessary departmental action against erring officers/officials as stated in the amended MV Act.</p> <p>d) The SCCoRS also notes that in the year 2022, out of 1032 fatalities, 404 fatalities (i.e. 39%) were due to Run Off the Road fatalities. These deaths could have been averted had there been Crash Barriers at vulnerable places. It is therefore of utmost importance that Crash Barriers according to the specifications are installed at all such places where Run Off the Road accidents happen. The State to comply under intimation to the Committee.</p> <p>e) The State was directed earlier to frame the maintenance policy for crash barriers for the hilly topography of the State. The State is again directed to do the same.</p>

21	Verification - Street Lighting on Highways	Noted.
22	Verification - Enforcement Equipment	<p>a) The Audit has pointed out that there are several equipments found non-working in each police station.</p> <p>b) The State has mentioned that district SPs have already been requested to provide status of equipment working or non-working, beyond repair etc. Based on the assessment furnished by the Police Department, procurement of new equipment will be included in the next annual action plan.</p> <p>c) It has been submitted by the State that the requirement of enforcement equipment according to BPRD norms prove challenging for the State due to its small size and low vehicle population. It has been added that the entire population of Himachal Pradesh is 70 lakhs and total vehicular population including floating tourist vehicles approx. 25 lakhs. As such it is difficult for the State to categorise its cities according to BPRD norms.</p> <p>d) However, the SCCoRS directs the State that the equipment may be made available and have maintenance policy for these equipment as now e-challaning will be enforced more rigorously and equipment would be needed.</p>
23	Verification - Training of Police personnel to use Enforcement Equipment	Noted.
24	Verification - Adequacy of Traffic Police	<p>a) The Audit has pointed out the inadequacy of police personnel. The SCCoRS has also reminded the State on a few occasions about the gap in the strength that is available and actual requirement. However, it has been observed that the State is unable to fill this gap till date.</p> <p>b) The SCCoRS directs the State to fill the gap expeditiously.</p>
25	Verification - Compliance with Helmet Usage	Noted.
26	Verification - Helmet Specifications	<p>a) The SCCoRS notes that the State has issued draft notification on 30.08.2023 inviting suggestions/objections from stakeholders for production of authorized receipt for purchase of two numbers of headgears conforming to BIS specifications before registration of motorcycle.</p> <p>b) From (a) above it is observed that more than 9 months have lapsed since the issue of the draft notification. It is being observed that around 15% of the deaths in road accidents have happened due to non-wearing of headgear. Therefore, the SCCoRS desires the State to immediately issue the said notification so that precious human lives could be saved.</p>

7	Verification of Compliance of Seat Belt and Mobile Phone Laws	-	Noted
8	Enforcement of Traffic Violations on National/State Highways		Noted
9	Verification of Periodical Checking of Commercial Vehicles	-	Noted
10	Verification of Periodical Checking of School Buses	-	Noted
	Implementation of MV Act and Amendments		Noted
	Annual Targets for Helmet, Seat Belt and Mobile Phone Usage		Noted
	Enforcement of Overloading and Overcrowding		<p>a) The SCCoRS notes that in the year 2023, 67 private buses and 27 transport buses were challaned for overcrowding.</p> <p>b) The SCCoRS observes that the number of challaned buses for overcrowding is too small for a Hilly State like Himachal Pradesh. The State needs to take proactive action in this regard as overcrowding in buses sometimes also results in "Run off the Road" situations. Therefore, the SCCoRS directs the State to carry out strict enforcement of the MV Act against violators.</p>
	Electronic Monitoring		Noted
	Verification of Street Vending	-	Covered in Point No. 17

36	Verification of Installation of Speed Governors in Commercial Vehicles	-	Noted
37	Verification of Fitment of Reflectors on New Bicycles sold in the State	-	Noted.
38	Verification of Inclusion of Road Safety Modules in School Curricula	-	Noted
39	Verification- Road Safety Awareness and Good Samaritan Guidelines	-	Noted
40	Driver Training Institute for Commercial Drivers and Vehicle Inspection Centres for Commercial Vehicles	<p>a) The Audit has recommended establishing more Driving Training Institutes in addition to 11 HRTC Training Institutes. The State has mentioned that as of date the LMV Driving Training Schools are 243 and that in addition the Heavy Motor Vehicle Category Schools in the State are 71 which include 11 HRTC and 60 Private Schools.</p> <p>b) The SCCoRS notes that the Inspection and Certification Centre at Baddi, District Solan for vehicle fitness is being constructed and would be completed by August 2024 and then the automation part would be installed. Apart from this MoRTH has sanctioned Rs. 5 Crore each for establishment of ATS at Hamirpur and Kullu under special assistance scheme in favour of HRTC. Further, the Transport Department has invited EOI for establishment of one ATS in each District against which four applicants have been shortlisted and process for finalization of RFP is in progress.</p> <p>c) The SCCoRS desires the State to keep the Committee apprised of the progress from time to time.</p>	
41	Audit of Private Driving Schools	<p>a) It has been informed by the State that all RTOs have been directed to inspect on a regular basis all the driving training schools in their respective jurisdictions and ensure that these schools are being operated according to the prescribed norms. RTOs have also been directed to furnish the inspection report on a quarterly basis.</p> <p>b) The State to keep the SCCoRS apprised of the result of the audited driving training schools.</p>	

42	Capacity Building	Noted.
43	Trauma Care System Plan	<p>a) The SCCoRS notes that the Trauma Care Plan has already been approved by the Government and efforts are being made to implement the plan. The SCCoRS also notes that 4 Trauma Care Facilities are functional, in 6 work is in progress, 2 are under process and 3 others are proposed to be established.</p> <p>b) The State is directed to keep the SCCoRS informed of the progress from time to time.</p>
44	GIS based Mapping of Ambulances and Healthcare Facilities	The SCCoRS notes that all the ambulances under NAS-108 are GIS mapped and that mapping of private ambulances is being explored. The State has mentioned that 61 ambulances have been stationed near National Highways and 86 ambulances near State Highways.
45	Adequacy of Ambulances for Emergency Response	<p>a) It has been indicated by the State that the State has a fleet of 35 ALS ambulances and 213 BLS ambulances which exceeds the prescribed norms set by the Government of India as one ALS ambulance is recommended for an average population of five lakh and one BLS ambulance is suggested for over one lakh population. It has been added that to further enhance response time, 5 new ALS ambulances have been approved by the Government for the year 2025-26. Besides NAS-108 the State has 143 Government ambulances also.</p> <p>a) The SCCoRS feels that though the population of the State is around 70 lakhs yet because of its hilly and difficult terrain and it being sparsely populated the norms set for plain areas cannot be strictly applied to it. The SCCoRS, therefore, desire the State to compare its availability of ambulances with other hilly States like Uttarakhand or J&K.</p> <p>b) It was earlier informed by the State that the proposal to procure an additional 20 Ambulances has been sent to the Government. The SCCoRS had then desired the State to indicate the timelines within which the additional 20 ambulances will be procured.</p> <p>c) The SCCoRS directs the State to indicate the same in its compliance report.</p>
6	Verification- Specifications of Ambulances and Rescuer Vehicles	Noted
7	Verification- Healthcare Facilities along/near Highways	Noted

48	Verification-Gap Analysis for Healthcare Infrastructure, Manpower, Equipment and Organizational Functions.	<p>a) The State has mentioned that study has been conducted in the district hospitals in Kullu, Una, Dharamshala and Keylong by National Health System Resource Centre (NHSRC). Gap analysis on the pattern of this study in other institutions is being conducted.</p> <p>b) The SCCoRS perused the study report. The study has pointed out many serious and critical gaps in the studied hospitals. The State is required to fill these identified critical gaps urgently and, in a time-bound manner. The State is directed to keep the SCCoRS informed of the steps taken by the State in filling the identified gaps.</p>
49	Verification-Dynamic Linkages between Healthcare Facilities	Noted
50	Verification - Training of Pre-hospital Trauma Technicians	The SCCoRS directs the Lead Agency to obtain the Action Take Report from the concerned Department on following the standardized pre-hospital trauma technician curriculum for training of pre-hospital trauma technician/staff nurses and furnish the same for perusal of the Committee.
51	Verification - First Responder Trainings	Noted
52	Verification - Maintenance of Injury and Trauma Records	Noted
53	Good Practice in Trauma Care by the State	<p>a) It has been indicated by the State that the average response time for NAS 108 ambulances is 23 minutes in Rural Areas - 29 minutes and in Urban areas - 15 minutes.</p> <p>b) The SCCoRS observes that the average response time indicated by the State does not commensurate with the distance to be covered by the Ambulance to reach the Trauma Care Facility. The situation is aggravated as the number of Trauma Care Facilities in the State is highly inadequate. The problem is further compounded by the fact that the Hospitals do not have equipment and trained doctors or paramedical staff meaning thereby that even if the road accident victim reaches the Hospital in good time, he may still lose his life. Therefore, it is of utmost importance to increase Trauma Care Facilities in the State with necessary equipment and trained staff. The State is directed to act on this expeditiously under intimation to the Committee.</p>

54	Active Coordination with other Stakeholders	Noted.
55	Additional directions to enhance road safety	<p>a) It has been indicated by the State that PWD has installed 712 Kms Crash barriers and are being maintained. The Department has also directed field officers that the provision regarding installation of crash barrier may be taken during the preparation of the DPR of new road construction where it is essentially required like valley sides.</p> <p>b) Regarding speed management, the Lead Agency has submitted that the observations made by SCCoRS and pointed out by the Audit have been conveyed to all the road owning agencies for compliance.</p> <p>c) The SCCoRS invites the attention of the Lead Agency to its direction dated the 24th of November 2016 that one of the assigned tasks of the Agency is to coordinate with the concerned departments of the State to ensure implementation of the directions issued from time to time by the Committee and furnish Compliance Report in a time bound manner. Accordingly, the Lead Agency is directed to ensure implementation of the directions given by the Committee and pointed out by the Audit and furnish compliance thereof for perusal of the Committee.</p>
56	Road Safety Action Plan	<p>a) The Audit has pointed out that there is no structured multi-sectorial Road Safety Action Plan in the State.</p> <p>b) The Lead Agency has mentioned that DRSCs have been asked to prepare their respective district road safety action plans and once these are received the plans will be segregated stakeholder department wise and sent to HODs of the stakeholder departments for confirmation. Once these are confirmed the same will be considered in the State Road Safety Action Plan. The State Road Safety Action Plan would be taken to SLMC for approval of the funds to the stakeholders for implementation of the State Road Safety Action Plan.</p> <p>✓ c) The SCCoRS is surprised to note that despite its directions dated 23rd December 2014 to prepare a Road Safety Action Plan in the format prescribed by the Government of India and submit the plan to the MoRTH with a copy to the Committee, the State has not prepared the same even after more than 9 years.</p> <p>d) The SCCoRS directs the State to prepare the Road Safety Action Plan and furnish a copy of the same to the Committee urgently.</p>
57	Automated Driving Testing	<p>a) It has been informed by the State that ADTT is being set up in Haroli, District Una for conducting driving tests for LMVs from the Road Safety Fund.</p>

	Tracks (ADTT)	b) The SCCoRS advises the State to set up ADTT preferably all RTOs in a phased manner to reduce the human intervention in licensing process.
58	Section 135A	As at 6 above
59	Vehicle Testing Facility (Vehicle I&C Centre)	As at 39 above
60	Gap Analysis for Healthcare Infrastructure	Please refer 47 above
B - Observations/Direction of the SCCoRS on the status report submitted by the State vide letter No. TPT-LA (42)RSC-SCCoRS-2021-Vol-I-18861 dated 12th June 2024		
i	Convening of regular meeting of the Road Safety Council	As at A 3 above.
ii	Setting up independent Lead Agency	Please refer item No. A 1 above.
iii	Grant of autonomy to the Lead Agency	<p>(a) The State had earlier intimated that the proposal to grant autonomy to the Lead Agency will be placed before the H.P. State Transport Development & Road Safety Council; and when its meeting is convened.</p> <p>(b) Now that the Road Safety Council has been reconstituted and notified the SCCoRS directs the State to place the matter before the Council and grant administrative and financial powers to the Lead Agency as conveyed to the State vide letter of even number dated 10th July 2023 prescribed by the Committee.</p>
iv	Training to the Officers and staff of Lead Agency	As directed earlier training to any new member/members in Lead Agency is also to be ensured.
v	Meetings of the DRSCs	As at A 2 above.
vi	Review by Chief Secretary every month	Noted.

vii	Reduction in road accident fatalities	<p>a) It has now been clarified by the State that Vulnerable spots were 1438 out of which 1021 spots have been rectified.</p> <p>b) The SCCoRS notes that BRO has 220 vulnerable spots out of which 74 have been rectified. Similarly, out of 147 Black Spots 128 have been rectified.</p> <p>c) The SCCoRS desires the State to keep it apprised of the progress in treating the vulnerable and black spots and also do the monitoring and evaluation of the treated sites.</p>
viii	Setting up of targets for helmet wear, etc.	<p>a) Noted.</p> <p>b) The SCCoRS desires the State to intimate the targets fixed for 2024 and actual achievement against such target in the next report.</p>
ix	Crash Barriers	As per Item No. A 20 above
x	Enforcement of Traffic Laws	Noted
xi	Road Safety Education	Noted
xii	Good Samaritans guidelines	Noted.
xiii	Inspection of School Buses	<p>a) The SCCoRS notes that during a special campaign 1750 vehicles used for ferrying school children were checked out of which 166 vehicles were challaned and 4 vehicles impounded.</p> <p>b) The SCCoRS desires the State to continue to inspect vehicles used for ferrying school children at regular intervals.</p>
v	Road Signs	Noted
	Formulation of scheme(s) under Section 135 of the MV Act	As at point A 6 above.
	Identification of vulnerable road segments and road safety audits	As at point A 11 above.
	Speed Calming Measures	As at point A 12 above.

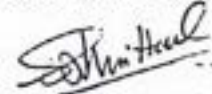
C - Additional Directions		
i.	Setting up Annual targets for reduction of fatalities	The SCCoRS notes that the State has fixed annual targets of 10% for reduction of fatalities due to road accidents.
ii.	Adequacy of police personnel and equipment	As at point at A 22 and 24 above
iii.	Junctions/Inter-sections	Noted. The SCCoRS may be kept apprised of the progress from time to time.
iv.	Identification of vulnerable bridges	Noted.
v.	Offences by Juveniles	Noted.
vi.	Highway Patrol	Noted.
vii.	Quarterly Reports	<p>a) The State is required to submit four quarterly reports viz. (i) Road Accident Data (ii) enforcement of traffic laws and implement the Supreme Court Committee's directions dated 18.8.2015 & 17.11.2015 (iii) 3rd Party -insurance of vehicles and (iv) fitment of speed limit devices prescribed by the SCCoRS. These reports are, however, not being received regularly from the State.</p> <p>b) The State is directed to furnish these reports (each report separately and not clubbed together in one sheet) in the month following the quarter to which they belong to the SCCoRS regularly.</p>
viii.	Failure to comply with standards for road design, construction and maintenance	<p>a) The SCCoRS invites the attention of the Government of Himachal Pradesh to Section 198A sub section (2) of the Motor Vehicle Act, 1988 (as amended in 2019) states as under:</p> <p>"Where failure on the part of the designated authority, contractor, consultant or concessionaire responsible for the design, construction and maintenance, results in death or disability, such authority or contractor or concessionaire shall be punishable with a fine which may extend to one lakh rupees and the same shall be paid to the Fund constituted under section 164B."</p> <p>b) The SCCoRS desires the State to intimate the number of authorities, contractors, consultants or concessionaire against whom the action has been initiated as mentioned at (a) above and if no action has been taken then the reasons for the same.</p>
ix.	Hit and Run Cases	a) The SCCoRS notes that 'Hit and Run' fatalities in the year 2021 and 2022 in the State were 66 and 74 respectively.

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| <p>The number of grievously injured persons in these years were 91 and 100. The SCCoRS desires to know the steps taken by the State to bring down these numbers.</p> <p>b) The SCCoRS also direct the State to identify such vulnerable stretches where 'Hit and Run' cases were the most and install CCTV/ANPR cameras at these places to identify the vehicle/driver responsible for such an accident.</p> |
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The SCCoRS directs that the above observations made in Column 2 be complied with the concerned authorities/road owning agencies by 15th January 2025. The State Lead ncy should coordinate and submit a consolidated comprehensive compliance report along with a copy of orders issued, Pen Drive containing copies of documents (in pdf or other appropriate format), videos and/or still photographs in support of the compliance report to SCCoRS by 31st January 2025.

This issues with the approval of the Chairman.

Yours faithfully,



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Secretary

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