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Road Safety Advisories to the School/Colleges by Kotwali Police Station

Safely and security of students, including precautions/norms during Journey through road for excursion/picnic/workshop etc should be part of planning by the school/college authority of Kotwali Police Station area, taking note of past incidents of traffic accident involving vehicles used for excursion, has decided to issue advisory to school college management so that they can use advisory while planning excursion/travel for students.

Following safety measure should be adopted in order to ensure road-safety to the students.

1. It has been seen that, during winter season fog, smog and other winter precipitation during night reduce visibility for drivers to a great extent increasing probability of road traffic accidents. It is preferable that such night journey is avoided. Regular halts for refreshment should be taken so that driver remain alert and active in any case journey between 02:00 am to 05:00 am should be compulsorily avoided as internal biological clock make the driver feel sleepy during this phase.
2. Special precaution to be take during road journey in any time, if vision is blurred due to fog. Driver should be briefed to stay focus on the road. Setting the headlights on Low beam, stick to lane, using indicator, turning on the Fog-lamp, turning of the music and listen to road sound, reducing speed, avoiding overtake could be helpful for safe journey.
3. During heavy rain, authority should ask driver to take further precaution with respect to vision, road conditions, automobile skid etc.
4. Authorities should select a responsible driver with experience of driving. No stress and ailment of driver prior to journey.
5. Authority should ensure strict ban over the use of alcohol/drugs by the driver prior and during journey.

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6. Selection of a good condition vehicle with sufficient seat capacity, working lamps, existence of reflector at back, proper air pressure in tyres and other required mechanical check-up like break, engine status etc, should ensured.

7. Journey should begin early enough so driver doesn't speed to make up time. As tempting as it may be when in a hurry, tailgating is a major cause of accidents.

8. Timely break /halt during long distance journey should be adopted so that the driver does not become stressed and he remains mentally alert.

9. Proper parking with switched on hazard lamps at proper place should be done every time. Authority to be more cautious while parking at narrow road side, highway side and dark isolated areas.

10. School representative who accompanies students in the vehicle in the tour should watch continuously the following activities of the driver -

→ driver using seatbelt

→ he does not fall asleep or drowsy

→ he is not attending mobile phone or changing music CD while driving

→ he is obeying traffic signs and instructions of traffic Police during journey

→ he is following speed limit as noted in signage

→ he is not driving dangerously or recklessly

→ he is driving in proper lane

→ he reduces speed in sharp turn

→ he is maintaining proper gap from front vehicle.

School/college representative should immediately warn the driver and take corrective measures immediately, if he violates the above traffic norms. Moreover during return journey focus should be more over these points.

11. School/College authority should limit number of students as per seat capacity of the vehicle. Briefing of students should be done so that students do not keep their hand/head/arms out of the window and they do not throw objects inside of the vehicle. Fighting shouting should be avoided as it may distract the driver.

12. Boarding and de-boarding specially for school children at busy areas should be under proper guidance.

13. Tour convener must have the contact number of Police stations, hospital, nursing home, Police control room etc existed along the route from starting to destiny, so as to handle emergency situation if happens any.

We expect that School/College authority with the help of teachers will ensure the safety and develop a responsible attitude toward road use through imparting the necessary basic training and modules.