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To

The Principal Secretary (Transport), Government of Uttarakhand, Dehradun

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Sub: Enforcement of traffic laws in the State

Sir,

The Committee has been informed by the Institute of Road Traffic Education (IRTE) that over the last years, they have conducted training in road safety for traffic police deployed in the cities of Dehradun, Haridwar and Rudrapur. The deliberation included the standard installation of traffic control devices, type of road traffic violations and identification of black-spots.

- In order to conduct the training, a primary study in the above mentioned cities was also conducted by them. The IRTE has reported that:
 - (i) A large percentage of Road Signage, Road Markings and Traffic Signals do not conform to IRC specifications
 - (ii) Police personnel were not fully conversant with the Motor Vehicles (Driving) Regulations 2017. These Regulations have been notified by the MoRTH on 23rd June, 2017 and have superseded the Rules of the Road Regulations 1989
- 3. The Committee has taken an adverse note of the above findings and desires the State to take appropriate action to ensure that;
 - (i) All the Road Signage, Road Markings and Traffic Signals should conform to the IRC specifications
 - (ii) Traffic Police, transport officers and road engineers should be imparted training in Motor Vehicle Act, 1988, Central Motor Vehicle Rules, 1989 and all the rules and regulations made thereunder



- (iii) Enforcement of traffic laws by the State Agencies should be as per the extant law and evidence based.
- 4. The IRTE would be happy to provide any specific information which the State may require in this area.
- 5. Though the IRTE has only conducted survey of the above mentioned 3 cities of Uttarakhand, this may be treated as sample study only and the action as indicated above should be taken throughout the State.

Yours faithfully,

(SD Banga)

Secretary to the Committee

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