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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Monthly summary for the Cabinet for the month of July, 2020 reg.

A copy of the unclassified portion of the Monthly summary for the Cabinet pertaining to the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways for the month of July, 2020 is enclosed herewith for information.



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## MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAY

Subject: Monthly Summary for the Cabinet for the month of July, 2020

1. The Ministry has constructed 2610 km of National Highways up to July 2020 as compared to 3015 km in July, 2019. The award figure is 2611 km during this period as compared to 980 km in the previous year.
2. The Ministry has prepared a blue print for implementing the scheme of cashless treatment of motor accident victims, as mandated under the MV Act 2019. The scheme also includes creation of a Motor Vehicle Accident Fund. It has been envisaged in the scheme to provide compulsory insurance cover to all uninsured Road users in the country. The Fund would be utilized for treatment of road accident victims and for payment of compensation to the injured or to the family of person losing life in hit and run cases. Department of Expenditure has advised to levy additional toll fee for funding the scheme. Necessary guidelines for this purpose are under formulation in consultation with National Health Authority.
3. The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has issued a draft notification on 01.07.2020 seeking comments for a National Permit regime for passenger vehicles providing seamless movement to the passenger vehicles after the success of goods carriage vehicles under National Permit Regime and is proposing "All India Tourist Vehicles Authorization and Permit Rules, 2020".  
Under this new scheme, any tourist vehicle operator may apply for an "All India Tourist Authorization/Permit" through online mode. This will promote tourism across the country, and enhance revenue of the States.
4. The Ministry has notified a draft notification on 10.07.2020 for seeking comments on proposal for amendment to the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 for inclusion of the standards for the safety evaluation of the vehicles being propelled through hydrogen fuel cells.
5. The Ministry has made amendments in CMVR 1989. Tyre pressure monitoring system (TPMS) for vehicles which monitors the inflation pressure of the tyre has been provided if fitted in the Vehicle. The requirement of the additional tyres has been done away with such vehicles if provided with the Tyre repair kit and TPMS. This will be free space for accommodating batteries for EVs etc.
6. New Safety Standard for two wheeler External Projections requirements have been prescribed which would reduce lacerations to pedestrian in case of accident. The pillion rider in the two wheeler has been allowed even in case a light weight container is placed behind the pillion rider space with a condition that it is within overall dimensions at two wheeler.
7. Shri Nitin Gadkari, Hon'ble Minister for Road Transport & Highways and MSMEs inaugurated and laid the foundation stones of various Highway projects worth about Rs 20,000 crore in Haryana through webcast on 14.07.2020. Trans Haryana Economic Corridor and the Gurugram-Rewari-Ateli-Narnaul Highway will boost economic growth in the State of Haryana.



8. Shri Nitin Gadkari, Hon'ble Minister for Road Transport & Highways and MSMEs reviewed the CHAARDHAAM ROAD PROJECT in the State of Uttarakhand via Video Conference on 17.07.2020. He emphasized that this project is of great national importance and should be handled from that perspective by all concerned. The Chaardham Project proposes to connect Yamnotri, Gangotri, Badrinath and Kedarnath which host Chaardham Yatra in the State of Uttarakhand. The all-weather Chaardham Road has in all 53 projects of 826 km length, involving an investment of Rs 12000 crore. 04 works (2.5 kms landslide stabilization) have been completed. 34 works for development of 645 kms are in progress, out of which 351 kms have been provided with fully widened bituminous surface. 2 works (25 kms) are under tendering and 13 works (153 kms) are yet to be sanctioned.

9. The Ministry has issued draft notification on 22.07.2020 seeking comments and suggestions from the public and all stakeholders for amendment to Central Motor Vehicles Rules 1979 for inclusion of Hydrogen enriched CNG as an automotive fuel. This will promote Green fuels for automobiles in the Country.

10 Shri Nitin Gadkari, Hon'ble Minister for Road Transport & Highways and MSMEs inaugurated the upstream carriageway of Mahatma Gandhi bridge over river Ganga in Bihar through video conference on 31.07.2020. The 5.5 km four lane bridge lies at NH-19 between Patna and Hajipur, which connects North and South Bihar. It is being constructed at a cost of Rs 1742 crore. It involves replacement of the existing concrete superstructure of old bridge by new steel deck superstructure.

11. In order to bring the two wheeler helmet under the compulsory regime of BIS certification in the country, the Ministry has issued a draft notification inviting comments from the public within 30 days. This will ensure that only BIS certified helmets are manufactured and sold in India. This will improve road safety scenario and would be helpful in reducing fatal injuries involving two wheelers.

12. In the month of July, 2020, a total 24 nos. of projects were considered by the Standing Finance Committee. The 24 projects of length 618.062 Km and total capital cost of Rs. 12578.88 Cr. were appraised by SFC and recommended for approval.

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