

Government of India
Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
Road Safety Cell

Transport Bhavan
1, Sansad Marg
New Delhi-110001

No. RT- 25016/2/2011 RS

Dated 19th October 2012


Office Memorandum

Subject : Information regarding cranes and ambulances supplied by MoRTH under NHARSS and arrangements for providing emergency medical services to road victims.

I am directed to refer to a meeting held on 24th May 2012 under the chairmanship of Shri Nitin R. Gokarn, Joint Secretary (T), MoRTH on the above mentioned subject and to say that it has been decided to upload the enclosed document on this Ministry's website morth.nic.in under the head road safety. It is therefore requested to upload the documents at the earliest.

Encl :- As above

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**Government of India
Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
(Road Safety)**

Transport Bhavan
1, Parliament Street,
New Delhi. 110001.

No. RT-25016/2/2011-RS

Dated 13 August, 2012

To

1. Pr. Secretary (Transport)/ Secretary (Transport)/DG/IG of Police of
Andhra Pradesh/Bihar/Chhattisgarh/Goa/Gujarat/H.P./
J&K/Karnataka/
Maharashtra/Manipur/Meghalaya/Mizoram/Nagaland/Sikkim/Tripura/
U.P./West Bengal/Dadar and Nagar Haveli/Daman & Diu/Delhi/
Lakshadweep/Puducherry
2. CGM (RS) NHAI
3. NGOs as per list enclosed

Subject:- Information regarding Crane and ambulances supplied by MORTH under the NHARSS and arrangements for providing emergency medical services to road accident victims etc.

Sir,

I am directed to invite your reference to this Ministry's letter dated 30.04.2012 and 14-6-2012 (Copy enclosed) on the subject cited above and to say that information regarding cranes and ambulances Year-wise and Vehicle Registration No.-wise (given to the Transport Department/Police Department/NGOs by this Ministry) from your State/UTs have not been received in this Ministry till date. Besides, we have also received the request from the State Government for providing cranes & ambulances. However, the details of their proposed deployment and operation & maintenance have not indicated.

2. It is requested to kindly depute the concerned Nodal Officer dealing with the subject to send the requisite information in the enclosed proforma. The details of deployment and O&M for cranes & ambulances (for which request have been sent) may also be indicated. This will enable the Ministry to make financial allocation for providing ambulances/cranes to States/UTs during the current financial year.

Yours faithfully,


(Rajeev Lochan)

Director (RT)

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Government of India
Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
(Road Safety Cell)

Transport Bhawan
1, Parliament Street
New Delhi-110001

No. RT-25016/2/2011-RS

Dated the 4 June 2012

1. Pr. Secretary (Transport)/Secretary (Transport)/DG/IG of Police of

Andhra Pradesh/Arunachal Pradesh/Bihar/Chhattisgarh/Goa/Gujarat/H.P./J&K/ Karnataka/
Kerala/Maharashtra/Manipur/Meghalaya/Mizoram/Nagaland/Sikkim/Tripura/U.P./West
Bengal/Andaman and Nicobar Islands/Chandigarh/Dadar and Nagar Haveli/Daman and
Diu/Delhi/ Lakshadweep/ Puducherry

2. CGM (RS) NHAI
3. NGOs as per list enclosed

Subject: Information regarding cranes and ambulances supplied by MoRTH under NHARSS
and arrangements for providing emergency medical services to road accident victims etc.-
meeting reg.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to invite your reference to this Ministry's letter of even number dated 30th
April 2012 (Copy enclosed) on the above mentioned subject and to say that information
regarding cranes and ambulances from your States/UTs have not been received in this
Ministry. Further it has been decided to review the existing arrangements for providing of
emergency medical services to road accident victims in each State including deployment of
ambulances, cranes and their optimal use in a meeting to be held in the Ministry on
25/6/2012 at 2:30 P.M. in the Conference Hall, Transport Bhawan, New Delhi.

2. You are requested to depute the concerned nodal officers dealing with the subject to
attend the meeting on scheduled date & time alongwith the requisite information in the
enclosed proforma. This will enable the Ministry to make financial allocations for providing
ambulances/cranes to States/UTs during the current financial year.

Yours faithfully



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Government of India
Ministry of Road Transport & Highways

Transport Bt
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New Delhi - 11

No.RT-25016/2/2011-RS

Dated the 30th April, 2012

To,

1. Principal Secretary (Transport)/Secretary (Transport) of all States/UTs
2. Director General of Police /IG of Police of all States/UTs
3. CGM (RS), NHAI
4. NGOs as per list enclosed

Subject: Information regarding cranes and ambulances supplied by MoRTH under NHARSS and arrangements for providing emergency medical services to road accident victims etc. - meeting reg.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to invite your reference to this Ministry's letter of even number dated 20th July, 2011 on the above-mentioned subject and to say that information from the States/UTs has not been received in this Ministry. You are requested to kindly furnish necessary information in the enclosed proforma immediately alongwith the name, address and contact number of the nodal officer pertaining to your State/UT in respect of cranes and ambulances supplied by this Ministry under NHARSS.

2. Further it has been decided to review the existing arrangements for providing of emergency medical services to road accident victims in each State including deployment of ambulances, cranes and their optimal use in a meeting to be held in this Ministry on 24th May, 2012 at 2.30 pm in the Conference Hall, Transport Bhavan, New Delhi based on the norms of one ambulance per 50 kms. of National Highways. A statement of year wise ambulance and cranes provided to State/UT's is enclosed in Annexure alongwith a list of NGO's in the States/UT's to whom ambulances and cranes were provided. As per the scheme, NGO's are to submit yearly reports on the performance and utilisation of the ambulances and cranes to the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways through Transport Commissioner/ Secretary(Transport) of the States.

3. Ministry of Road Transport and Highways intends to provide financial assistance to States to organise basic first aid training programmes to police/traffic police men, staff deployed with ambulances/cranes, volunteers of Nehru Yuva Kendras along NHs, staff deployed by road contractors, toll plaza booth staff, route patrol vehicle staff, NGOs etc. as part of first responder training on trauma care. In addition, financial assistance for organising advanced first aid programmes for paramedical staff in spinal injury cases will also be provided. It is requested to shortlist suitable hospitals/Trauma centres having necessary infrastructure for this purpose and submit a detailed proposal including the financial implications immediately.

4. You are requested to depute the concerned nodal officers dealing with the subject to attend the meeting on the scheduled date & time alongwith the requisite information in the enclosed proforma. This will enable the Ministry to make financial allocations for providing ambulances/ cranes to States/ UT's during the current financial year.

Yours faithfully,

Nitin

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Cranes and Ambulances supplied by MoRTH under NHARSS Scheme including arrangement for emergency medical services in the State.

- (i) Total number of cranes and ambulances received from the Ministry under NHARSS since 2000-01 onwards and how many of them are functional?
- (ii) Details of location/NH/stretch wherein these cranes and ambulances have been deployed (separately for cranes and ambulances) and the distance from nearest deployed ambulance/ crane.
- (iii) Whether States/UTs have identified stretches of NH which are most prone to frequent road accidents (black spots) and whether ambulances and cranes are deployed accordingly.
- (iv) Whether the contact number of ambulances/cranes has been adequately publicised along NH for information of all road users
- (v) Whether a common toll free no. such as 102, 108 or 1073 is in place supported by a call centre and linked to various hospitals for providing emergency care to road accident victims.
- (vi) Ambulance wise details of road accident victims helped or shifted to hospitals during the year 2011 and 1st January 2012 to 31st March 2012 giving information about:
- (a) No. of injured persons shifted to hospitals.
 - (b) No. of deceased road accident persons shifted from the accident site to the hospitals.
 - (c) Average response time taken for the ambulance to reach the accident site.
 - (d) Time taken to shift the injured victim to the nearest hospital and
 - (e) No. of lives of injured accident victims actually saved due to ambulance service.
- (vi) Crane-wise details of vehicles removed from the accident site during the year 2011 and 1st January 2012 to 31st March 2012.
- (vii) In case of NGOs who have received cranes/ambulances from the MoRTH whether the name of the Ministry with its logo has been prominently displayed in the body of the crane ambulances and details of injured persons/ fatal cases handled during the year 2011 and 1st January 2012 to 31st March 2012.

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Statement of Crane and ambulance provided to the States/UTs/NGOs by Ministry of Road Transport & Highways

State	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05		2006-07		2007-08		
	Ambulance	Crane	Ambulance	Crane	Ambulance	Crane	Ambulance	Crane	Ambulance	Crane	Ambulance	Crane (10 ton)	Crane (Small/Medium size)	Ambulance	
Andhra Pradesh	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	5	
Arunachal Pradesh	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	
Assam	1	1	3	3	3	3	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	
Bihar	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	3	
Chhatisgarh	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	3	3	3	5	-	-	-	
Goa	2	1	-	1	1	1	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	
Gujarat	-	-	3	4	3	2	2	-	1	-	-	4	-	8	
Haryana	-	6	6	10	10	6	6	5	5	-	-	-	-	6	
Himachal Pradesh	1	-	-	1	1	2	2	4	8	-	-	-	6	3	
Jammu & Kashmir	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	7	7	-	-	-	-	-	
Jharkhand	-	-	1	2	1	4	4	4	4	2	4	-	-	-	
Karnataka	2	-	-	2	2	4	4	7	13	1	1	-	-	-	
Kerala	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	6	-	1	4	-	8	
Madhya Pradesh	-	-	-	1	1	-	3	4	4	6	10	5	-	8	
Maharashtra	5	2	1	3	2	6	6	2	4	-	1	-	-	8	
Manipur	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	
Meghalaya	1	1	2	2	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	1	
Mizoram	1	1	-	-	-	4	4	-	3	-	-	-	-	2	
Nagaland	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	2	2	-	3	-	
Orissa	1	-	-	3	3	2	2	2	2	5	10	2	-	5	
Punjab	1	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	5	10	3	-	6	
Rajasthan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	10	
Sikkim	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	1	1	
Sikim	1	2	2	1	1	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	1	
Tamil Nadu	10	1	-	1	1	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	
Tripura	1	-	-	1	1	3	3	6	8	-	-	-	2	2	
Uttarakhand	-	1	1	1	1	8	9	2	2	-	4	-	7	2	
Uttar Pradesh	2	1	-	2	2	6	6	8	12	5	21	4	-	8	
West Bengal	4	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	5	
A & N Island	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Chandigarh	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	
D & N Haveli	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Daman & Diu	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Delhi	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Lakshadweep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Pondicherry	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	41	22	28	48	43	60	64	61	90	31	71	30	19	102	

Statement of Crane and ambulance provided to the States/UTs/NGOs by Ministry of Road Transport & Highways

State	2008-09			2009-10			2010-11			2011-2012			Total		
	Crane (10 ton)	Crane (Small/Medium size)	Ambulance	Crane (10 ton)	Crane (Small/Medium size)	Ambulance	Crane (10 ton)	Crane (Small/Medium size)	Ambulance	Crane (10 ton)	Crane (Small/Medium size)	Ambulance	Crane (10 ton)	Crane (Small/Medium size)	Ambulance
Andhra Pradesh	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	12	5	-	-	9	-	19
Arunachal Pradesh	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	1	6	3
Assam	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	8	1	14
Bihar	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	5
Chhatisgarh	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	13	-	10
Goa	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	6	1	4
Gujarat	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	3	-	-	13	-	28
Haryana	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	29	2	34
Himachal Pradesh	-	6	-	4	5	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	11	22	15
Jammu & Kashmir	-	3	-	1	2	-	-	-	2	-	5	-	11	10	14
Jharkhand	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	14
Karnataka	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	5	-	-	22	-	29
Kerala	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	14	1	16
Madhya Pradesh	2	1	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	28	1	26
Maharashtra	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	15	1	30
Manipur	2	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	7	3	6
Meghalaya	2	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	6	8	8
Mizoram	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	6	6	10
Nagaland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3	6	4
Orissa	2	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	18	1	26
Punjab	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	14	-	20
Rajasthan	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	10	6	-	-	11	-	20
Sikkim	-	2	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	3	8	9
Tamil Nadu	5	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	12	3	28
Tripura	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	11	6	15
Uttarakhand	-	2	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	13	15	20
Uttar Pradesh	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	9	6	-	-	33	-	60
West Bengal	2	1	-	2	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	6	3	13
A & N Island	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-
Chandigarh	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
D & N Haveli	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Daman & Diu	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delhi	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	6
Lakshadweep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pondicherry	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Total	25	21	-	30	30	-	-	-	70	40	36	-	347	106	509

State, NGO	2000-01	2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05		2006-07		2007-08		
	Ambulance	Crane	Ambulance	Crane	Ambulance	Crane	Ambulance	Crane	Ambulance	Crane	Ambulance	Crane (10 ton)	Crane (Small/Medium size)	Ambulance
M/s. Tamilnadu Edible Oil Tank Lorry Owner's Welfare Association	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tripura	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Uttarakhand														
M/s Dharam Gramin Sansthan, Haridwar, Uttaranchal	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gramin Kahetra Vikas Samiti (RADS), Garhwal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Uttar Pradesh														
M/s Karunodaya Seva Sansthan, Uttar Pradesh	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
M/s Heritage Rural Health Society, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
M/s Sarujan Kalyan Samiti, Allahabad, U. P.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
West Bengal														
M/s Prabuddha Bharati Shishuirtha, West Bengal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
A & N Island	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chandigarh	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
D & N Haveli	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Daman & Diu	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delhi	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lakshadweep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puducherry	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total NGO's	12	8	-	8	8	6	6	1	5	1	4	-	-	3
Total	41	22	28	48	43	60	64	61	90	31	71	30	19	102

Note:- After the year 2007-08 NGO's scheme has been discontinued.

Ministry of Road Transport & Highways

Minutes of the meeting held at 2:30 hrs on 24.05.012 under the chairmanship of Joint Secretary (T), MoRTH regarding cranes and ambulances supplied by MoRTH under NHARSS and arrangements for providing medical services to road accidents victims.

A meeting was held under the chairmanship of Shri Nitin R. Gokarn, Joint Secretary (T), MoRTH regarding cranes and ambulances supplied by MoRTH under NHARSS and arrangements for providing medical services to road accidents victims. List of the participants is annexed.

2. Joint Secretary (T), MoRTH welcomed the participants and stated that the basic objective of the meeting is to take stock of number of cranes and ambulances available with the State Government and to review the existing arrangements for providing emergency medical services to road accidents victims.
3. Director (RS) stated that MoRTH has been providing cranes and ambulances to the State Government so that medical services could be provided to the road accident victims. However, the onus of deployment of cranes and ambulances lies with the State Government. Therefore, the States have to take utmost care while deploying the ambulances so that relief can be provided in a shorter period of time. He also stated that as per existing norms ambulances can be deployed at a gap of 50 km. The ambulances provided by the MoRTH can be linked with the ambulances being run by the State Government. In this backdrop, JS (T) requested the representatives of State Government to explain the existing facilities available with them for road accident victims including numbers of cranes and ambulances available & those required for improving the services.
4. The representative of Andhra Pradesh stated that he has not information about the no. of ambulances provided by MoRTH. However, they have received five cranes. On a query from JS (T) regarding nodal officer responsible for monitoring the deployment of ambulances, the representative of State stated that he will inform MoRTH later.
5. The representative of Assam informed that the cranes and ambulances received by them have been deployed by Transport Department. But they are not having sufficient man-power to run the system. On a query from JS (T) it was informed that road safety fund has not been established. In case of nodal officer, JS (T) directed to inform MoRTH by first week of June 2012.
6. The representative of Andaman & Nicobar Island stated that they have been given only three cranes out of which one is to be received. Till date, no ambulances have been provided to them. There is 317 km of NH in Island and they are finding difficult to attend the road victims with less number of cranes

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and ambulances. He also informed that around 400 accidents occur in a year. The State has sufficient man-power to manage the cranes and ambulances. He requested to provide at least five ambulances and two cranes on priority. JS (T) stated that at present we are giving ambulances only for Trauma Centre. The request for cranes will be examined in the Ministry.

7. The representative of Haryana stated that they are having 35 ambulances and 31 cranes. They are deploying cranes and ambulances at NH at a distance of 30 KM. The State is also having a toll free number i.e. 1073 on which the details of accidents may be informed. After, receiving the information the relief team reaches the accident spot in around 10-15 minutes. They also stated that they have been provided only 10 tons cranes. Due to traffic, sometimes, they face problems in reaching to the accident spot. They requested to provide small cranes also. JS (T) stated that the request of the State Government will be take care of while allocating the cranes.

8. The representative of Himachal Pradesh stated that they have received 24 cranes out of which five out of ten tons and 19 out of five tons. Ten cranes have been given to police, 5 cranes have been to HRTC and 9 have been given to PWD. It was also informed that they have received 8 ambulances. JS (T) enquired about the monitoring of their deployment and suggested to monitor then at regular intervals. They requested to provide more ten tons cranes as they find difficult to pull the vehicle from the deep by five tons cranes.

9. The representative of Jharkhand stated that they have received 12 cranes and 13 ambulances which is not sufficient for 19 districts of the state. He also requested to clarify whether MoRTH provides funds for operations and maintenance of these cranes and ambulances. JS (T) stated that there is no provision to provide operations and maintenance under the scheme. He suggested to set-up a road safety fund in which 50% of penalty amount can be diverted. With this amount, operations and maintenance of cranes and ambulances may be done. States like Tamilnadu, Kerala have already set-up the road safety fund which can be replicated in the Jharkhand also.

10. No officers from the Karnataka Government attended the meeting. However, a NGO attended the meeting. The representative of NGO requested to provide cranes to them. JS (T) clarified that MoRTH is not providing cranes to NGOs currently.

11. The representative of Madhya Pradesh stated that the state has already set-up the road safety fund. They purchase equipments to enforce the regulation of safety. But they are not in a position to pay salary of drivers from safety fund. He requested to send a letter to the State Government indicating that salary may be paid from the safety fund. He also requested to provide the cranes and ambulances directly to the police and not to transport department. JS (T) stated that the request of the state will be examined in the Ministry.

12. No officers from the Maharashtra Government attended the meeting. However, a representative of NGO namely Lok Manya Medical Foundation attended the meeting. He informed that the toll free number i.e. 108 is yet to start in the state. He expressed his concern about the deployment of cranes and

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ambulances and suggested that there is need to fix certain criteria for their deployment. JS (T) stated that there is a provision to deploy the cranes and ambulances at the distance of 50 KM.

13. The representative of Manipur informed that they are facing problems in maintaining the old cranes. They are not getting parts of these cranes. They are not having sufficient funds for its operations and maintenance. They requested to issue guidelines for monitoring the cranes and ambulances provided by MoRTH. JS (T) suggested to set-up road safety fund in which 50% of the penalty can be diverted. With the help of this fund, cranes and ambulances can be maintained.

14. Representatives from Punjab indicated that the Toll free no. 1073/100 are in operation. IG, Traffic has been designated as a nodal officer. Traffic sign boards are already in place along highways.

15. The representatives from Life Line Foundation indicated that they have so far evacuated 1800 road accident victims from accident site to hospitals. However, the details of deployment of ambulances can be ascertained from the concessionaires.

16. Representatives from Tamil Nadu Lorry Association indicated that the Toll free no. 108 is already in operation in Tami Nadu. The cranes and ambulances provided by Ministry needs further improvement in quality. As far as maintenance is concerned, it is one of the important problems which need to be addressed.

17. Representatives from Utrakhand indicated that there is a good coordination in the State amongst police, transport and PWD officials so far as road accidents are concerned. At present all the police personnel are trained to handle accident cases. The ambulances are at the disposal of the fire stations. He further suggested that the scheme of deploying ambulances at every 50-60 km. needs modification to 30-35 km. keeping in view the geographical terrain of hilly States.

18. Representatives from Govt. of U.P. indicated that 36 ambulances have been provided by MoRTH to State and another 14 have been purchased by them. 23 cranes have also been provided by the MoRTH. However, keeping in view the large size of the State they need more cranes and ambulances for deployment at National Highways.

19. Summarizing the discussions, JS (T) indicated that the Ministry will hold a separate meeting for the officials exclusively from hilly and North-Eastern States to understand the problems being faced by them and their specific requirement for taking care of road accident victims. He also indicated that there will be another meeting with all those States who could not attend this meeting.

20. During the deliberations, it emerged that the cranes and ambulances which are at present managed by different agencies like traffic police, transport department, and NGOs should be changed so that there is only one agency in command i.e. traffic police. There will be a common Toll free number for cranes and ambulances which should be a three or four digit number, easy to remember and appropriately publicized along highways. These should also be linked with nearby hospitals and the name of the hospital with telephone numbers should also be highlighted.

21. He further indicated that since State Govt. are facing difficulties in upkeep and maintenance of cranes and ambulances, the Ministry is seriously considering revamping the existing NHARSS scheme so that instead of directly providing a few cranes and ambulances to the State the Ministry will empanel a few agencies so that the State Govt. may be able to procure the requisite number of cranes and ambulances directly from them and the payment thereof would be released by the MoRTH subject to availability of funds. Before that the State Govt. must establish Road Safety Funds so that the maintenance, salary of driver, diesel, and training of personnel, etc. could be taken care of from that fund. All the existing ambulances and cranes and those which will be procured in future may be deployed on National Highways and linked to the State emergency services like GVK EMRI or any other arrangement in the State with a common toll free no. for optimal use of these equipments.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

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To

The Transport Commissioner and DGP of all States/UTs/NGOs

Subject:- Information regarding Crane, Small recovery cranes & ambulances supplied by MORTH under the NHARSS to the Transport Department/DG of Police/NGOs.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter dated 14-6-2012 on the subject cited above and to say that the Nodal Officer of the Transport Department/Police Department of all the State/UTs are requested to take following action for the existing vehicles given by the Ministry till date in their State and inform the Status to the Ministry :-

- i) How they plan to fund the maintenance & operation in respect of crane & ambulances.
- ii) Take over all the existing cranes & ambulances (plying on road and off road) from the NGOs in their State, who are unable to maintain & operate the vehicle in good conditions.
- iii) Check whether the vehicle is in good condition or not. If, yes than the vehicles must be operated on NH's of their State.
- iv) Otherwise, if there is a minor defect in the vehicles and it is possible to meet the maintenance cost or maintain the vehicle in good condition by their own funds, then maintain & operate the vehicle on NH.
- v) If there is major defect in the vehicles or vehicle are lying idle leading to major defects and it is possible to bear the operational and maintenance cost by the Police Department then maintain the vehicle & operate on NH.
- vi) In case if the vehicle life is over or major breakdown of cranes/ambulances, non availability of vehicle parts/not in proper condition for smooth functioning on roads or becomes unserviceable beyond economic repair, then the vehicle may be disposed off. The action for disposal of vehicle may be done and whatever amount received after disposal/auction will be deposited in the Road Safety Fund or could be utilized by the State Govt. for promoting road safety activities in the States.
- vii) Whatever action will be taken by the Police Department/ Nodal Officer (Vehicle Registration No. wise & year wise) may be done under the intimation to this Ministry.

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vii) Supervised and monitored the Performance Report (Year wise & vehicle No. wise) and forward the report for the first five year to this Ministry. Thereafter, State Govt. itself monitored the Performance Report.

2. Department wise status of crane & ambulances is also enclosed for necessary action.

Yours faithfully,


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Copy to:- The Nodal Officer of the States/ UTs for necessary action.