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A) The Motor Vehicle Amendment Act, 2019 though not an panacea to the traffic discipline, but certainly addressed the key issues plaguing the traffic system. Apart from improving the road safety, the amendment carries various key objectives like eliminating corruption, enabling enforcement and regulating traffic using technology. It put forward the adoption of Integrated Traffic Management System (ITMS) which helps to ease the congestion at the traffic junctions and with the use of sensors and data helps to study the patterns of

traffic in the cities. To bring in traffic discipline, police dispensed body worn cameras, alcometers, Red Light Violation Cameras, LIDAR guns which helps to mitigate the loss of lives in the country.

The federal nature of the country and diversity in the administration made practically impossible to bring in uniformity in the license systems. The

Section 25A under the new amendment, created a new "National

Registry for Driving License" and directed the state authorities to conform

with the centre directions by updating the licenses in the NRDL. This

with unique identification (UID) brings in uniformity in the system i.e.

one license per person. The e-challan system and system generated

messages to pay challans helps to bring in transparency, reliability and

Efficiency has augmenting the fine collection. The Section 136A of the addresses the huge disparity in the enforcement protocols at different states as some rely on technology and some on human intervention. The front runner states like Kerala, Karnataka along with the emphasis on the technology, focus on the women empowerment as more women were inducted into the system thus leading the transformation.

Technology is only an enabler, not a panacea for all the problems in the life. It is the govt who should bring in behavioral changes in the citizens of the country to save the millions of lives.