

Though good Samaritans plan can help reduce accident deaths, but more work have to be done for road safety. Elaborate.

According to World Health Organization (WHO) report on road accident in India the accident cases have decreased from 4,45,514 in 2018 to 4,37,396 in 2019.

The initiative of Ministry of Road transport and highways to award Good Samaritan who save lives of road accident victims with a cash prize is a welcome attempt to reduce India's staggering annual death toll from mishaps.

Under the Motor Vehicle law, a Good Samaritan Voluntary helps an accident victim with no expectations of payment (or) reward and has no legal obligation to

renewed his involvement (or) aid the investigation in the case.

The latest Move of the Ministry is rewarding socially minded individuals who offer immediate assistance and rush a victim with certain kinds of injuries to hospital with Rs. 5,000 and Certificate of recognition for saving a life. Union Transport Ministry will give its own award of Rs. 1,00,000 each to ~~the~~ 10 best Good Samaritans in a year.

The other measures taken by Government.

1) → In 2015, the Indian government announced the application of new regulations consistent with the UN standards for front and side impact and also pedestrian protection.

2) → India signed the Brasilia Declaration on Road Safety and committed to reduction in fatalities.



3). Through the Brasilia Declaration countries plan to achieve the Sustainable Development goal 3.6: By 2020, halve the number of global deaths and injuries from road traffic accidents.

4). 3 year Action Agenda. NITI Aayog also highlighted need for Road safety & set the following agenda

- Motor Vehicle (Amendment Bill) 2016.
- Motor Vehicle (Amendment Bill) 2019

The Good Samaritan plan and the other the government measure will work well if the individual person taking response and initiating the plan.