

EDN-KGR(G-6)/School Vehicle Safety -2026
कार्यालय: उप निदेशक उच्च शिक्षा
कांगड़ा, धर्मशाला

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सेवा में,

सभी प्रधानाचार्य / मुख्याध्यापक,
समस्त राजकीय एवं निजी GSSS/GHS
जिला कांगड़ा (हि.प्र.)

विषय: विद्यालय वाहन सुरक्षा दिशानिर्देशों के क्रियान्वयन के संबंध में।
महोदय,

उपरोक्त विषय एवं संदर्भ के संबंध में सूचित किया जाता है कि जिला सड़क सुरक्षा समिति (DRSC) एवं DLSVGIMC की बैठक दिनांक 07.01.2026, जो अतिरिक्त उपायुक्त, कांगड़ा की अध्यक्षता में आयोजित हुई। उक्त बैठक में निम्नलिखित निर्देश जारी किए गए हैं:

1. सभी विद्यालयों द्वारा विद्यालय वाहन सुरक्षा दिशानिर्देशों का कड़ाई से पालन सुनिश्चित किया जाए।
2. विद्यार्थियों के परिवहन में प्रयुक्त सभी वाहनों का पूर्ण अभिलेख विद्यालय में संधारित किया जाए।
3. ऐसे वाहनों से संबंधित सभी आवश्यक दस्तावेज अद्यतन रखे जाएं तथा निरीक्षण के समय प्रस्तुत किए जाएं।
4. विद्यालय वाहनों के चालकों का नियमित रूप से वार्षिक स्वास्थ्य एवं नेत्र परीक्षण सुनिश्चित किया जाए।

अतः सभी प्रधानाचार्य/मुख्याध्यापक उपरोक्त निर्देशों का तत्काल एवं पूर्ण अनुपालन सुनिश्चित करें। "जारी किए गए निर्देशों की एक प्रति संदर्भ हेतु साथ में संलग्न की जा रही है।"

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प्रतिलिपि: क्षेत्रीय परिवहन अधिकारी सह-सदस्य, जिला सड़क सुरक्षा समिति (DRSC), कांगड़ा, धर्मशाला
सूचनार्थ।

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF " DISTRICT ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE (DRSC)", DISTRICT LEVEL SCHOOL VEHICLES GUIDELINES IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING COMMITTEE (DLSVGIMC)" AND "DISTRICT LEVEL APPRAISAL COMMITTEE" HELD ON DATED 07.01.2026 AT 12:00 NOON UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF SH. VINAY KUMAR (IAS), ADDL. DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, DISTT. KANGRA IN NIC CONFERENCE HALL Room No. 723 O/O DISTRICT MAGISTRATE KANGRA AT DHARAMSHALA.

The meeting was attended by the following Officers/ officials and stakeholders:

1. Sh. Mohit Ratan SDM Dharamshala. District Kangra
2. Sh. Rajinder Jariyal Addl. Superintendent of Police Dharamshala
3. Sh. Manish Kumar Soni, Regional Transport Officer Kangra Dharamshala.
4. Sh. Ajay Singh Samyal Deputy Director Elementary Education Dharamshala.
5. Dr. Mahima Kaul O/o Chief Medical Officer, Kangra at Dharamshala.
6. Sh. Ankush Chauhan. DRM iRAD O/o NIC, Distt. Kangra.
7. Sh. Vikram Singh Distt Panchayat Officer Dharamshala.
8. Sh. Raj Kumar Thapar, Dept. of Information and Public Relation Officer Dharamshala.
9. Sh. Raman Sharma (Supdt.) RTO Dharamshala..
10. Sh. Mohinder Singh Dealing Assistant Road Safety O/o RTO Kangra at Dharamshala.
11. Sh. Sahil Kapoor, RM. HRTC Dharamshala.
12. Sh. Sunil Kumar (Non Official Member.) NGO Saksham Education and Welfare Society Dharamshala
13. Sh. Ganesh Sharma Swastik Driving Training School School Jawalaji, District Kangra.

All other the committee members and Sub Divisional Magistrates joined in virtual mode through VC.

At the outset, Regional Transport Officer-cum-Member, DRSC, DLSVGIMC and DLAC Committee Kangra at Dharamshala welcomed the Chairman & all members of the committee as well as other Officers/Officials/stakeholders of road safety, present in the meeting and joined through VC. It was apprised in the meeting that National Road Safety Month 2026 is being observed from 01.01.2026 to 31.01.2026 in which various activities have been planned by the office of RTO Kangra in the district including enforcement drives, awareness activities, free eye testing camps for drivers of HRTC/Pvt Operators/Taxis and Truck Unions, training programs etc. It was also noted that the department of Transport, Govt. Of H.P. has also shared daily/weekly activity schedule which is required to be followed by all the stakeholder departments i.e. Transport, Health, PWD, NHAI, Police and Education departments.

Thereafter, Regional Transport Officer, Kangra at Dharamshala gave detailed presentation on the agenda items of DRSC, DLSVGIMC and DLAC, other Road Safety issues in the district & Guidelines issued by Deptt. of Transport, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh for road safety and proper observation of guidelines for school buses/ vehicles engaged in transportation of school children, in

the State wide Notification no. TPT-A(7)-1/2018 dated 12.10.2018; so as to ensure safety and security of school children, while travelling to and from their schools. A detailed analysis of road accident statistics, identification of black spots, public awareness campaigns, relief and rescue arrangements, and the effective implementation of the Raahveer Scheme was also done.

The following agenda items were taken up in the meeting & decisions were taken on them, as per details given below: -

I. Monitoring of Road accident data and enforcement in the District

Regional Transport Officer-cum-member, DRSC informed the committee that as per detail on road accident data, during the year 2023, 2024 & 2025 (as received from Police Deptt. in the district through eDAR Portal), a total of 382, 303 & 288 no. of accidents, respectively, have occurred in the district; and in these accidents 131, 114 & 111 no. of persons lost their lives and 518, 485 & 480 persons got injured. Analysis of road accident data for last 5 years also showed that most of these accidents have occurred in the distt.. due to over speeding, non following of traffic rules & dangerous driving in that order; which constituted around 93% of the total accidents and accounted towards accidents occurred due to human errors. The Chairman also observed that there has been tendency by the road users for neglecting and non following of traffic rules which can be easily observed on the roads and highlighted the need for awareness drives to tackle to this situation. He further directed Police dept. Kangra, Nurpur and Dehra as well as Transport and Education departments to launch special drives for addressing the issue through awareness and also to ensure that there is zero tolerance towards over speeding and dangerous driving in the district. Other enforcement authorities viz. RTO Flying Squad and SDMs were also directed to keep check on the same.

Further, analysis of data also shows that most of the accidents have occurred on NH- 152 no., SH-100 no. Link Road - 57 no., MDR-28 no. & Village Road-45 no. (during Year 2023) & NH- 142 no., SH-60 no. Link Road - 33 no., MDR-29 no. & Village Road-39 no. (during Year 2024) & NH- 105 no., SH-63 no. Link Road - 11 no., MDR-17 no. & Village Road-35 no. (during Year 2025). Similarly, police station wise, it was noticed that max. no. of accidents, occurred in the jurisdiction of Police Station Dharamshala, Nagrota Bagwan, Kangra, Palampur, Bhawarna, Gagal, Nurpur, and Dehra. The analysis of vehicle-wise road accident data showed that max. accidents occurred involving 2-wheeler & motor cars. The Chairman directed enforcement authorities especially distt. Police Kangra, Nurpur and Dehra, RTO Kangra and SDMs to launch special campaigns on regular basis in general and especially during the ongoing National Road Safety Month for checking these highly prone vehicle segments to road accidents including two wheelers and if such type of vehicles are found violating MV Act & its rules, their challans must be done strictly without having any sympathetic attitude. He directed that strict enforcement of traffic rules is to be ensured in the district. The footpaths and road crossings was also discussed in detail. The

Chairman proposed that during the design of the public roads itself there should be a mandatory provision of building footpaths along the roads. The committee agreed to the proposal and after detailed discussions unanimously resolved to direct the road owning agencies i.e. NHAI and HPPWD to check the feasibility of constructing pathways and footpaths along the busy roads and make provision of these features in the road at design stage itself. It was also resolved that safe pedestrian crossings including over bridge pathways or sub ways should also be constructed near busy public utility buildings like hospitals and schools for safety of pedestrians crossing the roads as the absence of these facilities put the life of pedestrians at risk while crossing. Chairman also directed HPPWD, NHAI and Municipal Corporation Dharamshala to build over way pathways, employ rumble strips and speed breakers at the most crowded places in the district Kangra and Dharamshala city.

2. Identification and Rectification of Black Spots in the District.

After analysing the road accidents data of the district through eDAR portal, the Committee agreed that the presence of "Black spots" in various roads and highways, is one of the main cause of road accidents in the district. It was brought to the notice of committee by RTO Dharamshala that as per the data received from various road owning agencies, 118 no. of black spots were identified in various sub-divisions by the sub-divisional level black spot identification committees in the district, with max. no. of black spots in Sub Division Dehra (36 nos.), Shahpur (12 nos.), Nagrota Bagwan (18 nos.) & Nurpur (11 nos). It was also informed that many of of black spots have been rectified or in process of rectification by NH/HPPWD. It was also pointed out that there is need to review this data at sub division level to ascertain and arrive at the present status of black spots in various districts. The Chairman observed that committees have been formed at the sub-division level to identify, regularly monitor, and rectify the black spots, with the active participation of the police and Public Works Department. He directed that a fresh review of black spots be done at sub division level by the sub division level black spot identification committees and updated report be sent to this committee so that the district wise review can be made and further necessary interventions may be planned. He also directed road owning agencies to take prompt and effective corrective action at all identified black spots to prevent recurrence of accidents.

The Chairman directed all the SDMs to send action taken report on newly identified and previously rectified black spots and the same may be sent to RTO office Dharamshala for compilation and production of the same before this committee. RTO Kangra apprised that in the last meeting of the committee held on dated 01.10.2025, a detailed review of the hotspots of the road accidents in the district was done based on eDAR data and necessary directions were issued to HPPWD and NH to take corrective actions to rectify these hotspots. The Chairman directed NHAI and HPPWD to submit action taken report on the directions of this committee given on 01.10.2025 for rectification of identified hotspots in next meeting of the committee. PD NHAI Palampur who was present in the

meeting through VC apprised that there are certain number of hotspots in his jurisdiction which are required to be rectified urgently in view of public safety. Detailed discussion was held on these hotspots and it was decided that the PD NHAI Palampur shall take necessary action for rectification of these accident hotspots. The details of these hotspots was shared by PD NHAI Palampur and is given as Annexure "A" (copy attached).

3. Review of no. of PSV vehicles/buses engaged & registered in RTO/RLAs for transportation of school children, in the district

Regional Transport Officer Kangra at Dharamshala informed the committee that, at present as per the data of "VAHAN portal" of MoRTH, a total 1784 nos. of school vehicle (Buses self-operated by schools-Category (A)) are Registered with the O/o RTO & different SDM-cum-RLAs in the district. It was informed that maximum no. of school buses/vehicles are registered in the office of RLA Nurpur (462 no.), followed by RTO & RLA Dharamshala (421 no.), RLA Jawali (149 no.), RLA Dehra (163 no.), RLA Palampur (150 no.), RLA Jwalaji (64 no.), RLA Baijnath (57 no.), RLA Kangra (72 no.), RLA Fatehpur (83 no.), RLA Jaisinghpur (59 no.), Indora (33 no.), RLA Dheera (23 no.), RLA Nagrota Bagwan (34no.) and RLA Shahpur (14 no.) as on 31.12.2025. This data shows that after school vehicle awareness campaign in the district, many vehicles which were older and without fitness or permits have been sold or condemned by School Institutes and new vehicles have been purchased, after discouraging many taxi /maxis etc. (Category-C vehicles) and; thus, has shown an increase in no. of Category (A) registered vehicles, from 1729 no. (as on 01.10.2025) to 1784(on 31.12.2025)

4. To conduct regular, quarterly meetings of Sub-Division Level School Vehicle Guidelines Implementation & Monitoring Committees.

It was informed in the meeting by RTO Kangra at Dharamshala, that Govt. has constituted Sub-divisional Level Committees under the chairmanship of concerned SDM to quarterly monitor & implement school vehicle guidelines issued vide Notification no. TPT-A (7)-1/2018 dated 12.10.2018 & vide Notification no. TPT-A (7)1/2018 dated 17.08.2019 at the sub-division level. Chairman, therefore, directed all SDMs-cum-Chairman SDLSVGI&M Committees, to ensure to conduct regular meetings of the said committee on quarterly basis & to conduct regular checking of school vehicles/buses with the involvement of Education, Police, Transport & Administrative Deptt. at sub-division level. It was also directed by the Chairman that Dy. Directors (Higher & Elementary) shall write to all Principals/Headmasters of Private as well as Govt. Schools, to ensure strict compliance & to ensure regular medical/eye checkup of their

school buses drivers on annual basis for their fitness for driving school vehicles. During meeting, it was informed by RTO Dharamshala that a total 587 nos. of school vehicles have been inspected by RTOs & RTO FS in the district after last meeting & out of these 116 nos. of vehicles have also been Challenged for violating provisions of MV Act/ school vehicle guidelines. It was directed by the chairman in the meeting, to launch a special checking drive for checking of all vehicles, engaged in transportation of school children in the Distt. during the National Road Safety Month with special emphasis on Checking of Category-C (Private Taxi/ Maxi etc.) vehicles with active involvement of all stakeholder Dept. Viz Police, Education, Transport depts. & all SDMs-cum-RLAs. Chairman directed both Dy. Director (Edu.) to ensure that, all school/Edu. Institute shall maintain complete record of all vehicles, which are being used by their student for transportation and also to ensure that the documents be kept as record & made available during inspection. The Chairman also emphasized the need of regular eye check up for the drivers of these vehicles. Regular eye checkups, especially for school bus drivers, should be ensured. He explained that a total of 1,784 school buses operate in various schools in the district, carrying a large number of school children daily and therefore directed Deputy Directors (Elementary and Higher Education) to ensure that during the National Road Safety Month, all the drivers of the school buses must get their eyes checked up. He directed that the matter may be taken up with the head of the Institutes by the Education Authorities to ensure compliance. A report be also sent to this committee on this aspect after 31.01.2026.

5. Review of "Rah Veer/Good Samaritans" Scheme

RTO Kangra apprised the District Level Appraisal Committee about the objectives of the committee which is to review and approve proposals received from Police Stations for recommending names of persons who have saved life of victims of fatal accidents involving a motor vehicle by administering immediate assistance and rushing to hospital/ trauma care centre within the Golden hour for medical treatment. It was also apprised that the erstwhile Good Samaritan Scheme has been renamed as Rah Veer Scheme. RTO further made the committee aware about the process to be followed for identification and facilitation of Rah Veers. It was informed that an acknowledgment is given from Police to concerned Rah Veer after verification from the doctor/ Hospital in which the details of the accident, Rah Veer and a brief about how the Rah Veer has helped in saving the life of the victim. The case for awarding the Rah Veer is reviewed and approved by the DLAC and is further recommended to Commissioner (Transport) for disbursement of award money to the Rah Veer. RTO informed the committee members that now the award amount has been increased to Rs. 25000/- per incident under the scheme and one Rah Veer can be awarded maximum 5 times a year. It is further apprised that 10 national level awards will be given to the most worthy Rah Veers (who will be selected from all those who have been awarded during the whole year) and they would be given award of Rs. 1,00,000/-. It

was made aware that last year, 5 number of Rah Veers were awarded in the district but no proposal has yet been received by the committee for the police department in this financial year. After detailed discussions on the scheme and its provisions, the Chairman directed the police department to forward names of Rah Veer of their respective areas and requested all participants to spread awareness on the scheme, and to motivate general public to come forward freely, to help the victims of the road accidents, so as to save precious human lives. The Chairman observed that providing prompt medical assistance in Golden hour after an accident is crucial. To this end, all relevant departments have been directed to further strengthen the emergency response system to minimize fatalities. He clarified that the administration's goal is to achieve a zero fatality rate in road accidents, for which the participation of all departments as well as the general public is essential. The Chairman also directed to nominate the names of Rah Veers who were identified last year for felicitation and recognition during this year's celebration on Republic Day. It is noted that this would be a wonderful way to motivate people to help road accident victims.

At the end, meeting ended with a vote of thanks, to the chair and all committee members & stakeholders of district road safety programme present in the meeting.


(Vinay Kumar, IAS)
Addl. Deputy Commissioner
Kangra at Dharamshala

Endst. No.: RTA (D)/ DLSVGIMC-cum-Road Safety W/2025- 258-259 Dated: 23-1-26

Copy to:

1. The Director Transport, H.P. Shimla-04 for favour of kind information please.
2. All the members of District Road Safety Committee (DRSC), District Level School Vehicles Guidelines Implementation & Monitoring Committee (DLSVGIMC) and District Level Appraisal Committee DLAC) of Distt. Kangra for information and necessary action.
3. All SDMs-cum-RLAs in District Kangra for Information and necessary action.


Regional Transport Officer-cum-
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Kangra at Dharamshala