



KERALA ROAD SAFETY AUTHORITY

Established under KRSA Act 2007 by Government of Kerala



Minutes of the 45th Meeting of Kerala Road Safety Authority held on 09-03-2022 at Nava Kairali Hall, Secretariat Annexe 2

The meeting commenced at 4.15pm with Hon'ble Minister for Transport in Chair. Hon'ble Minister for Works & Tourism was also present. The Chairman welcomed the members to the meeting. List of participants is attached as Annexure.

The Chairman remarked that the Agenda & Notes of the Authority meeting should be circulated well in advance, before the Authority Meeting. The Chairman directed Kerala Road Safety Authority to prepare an Annual Budget incorporating the anticipated expenditure towards committed projects, Road Safety projects/programs proposed for the year, administrative expenses etc. The budget should be circulated to Chairman, Kerala Road Safety Authority for approval for the year 2022-23.

The Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Authority observed that as per Section 5(2) of Kerala Road Safety Authority Act 2007, Executive Committee shall be in charge of implementation of the decisions of the Authority. The Chairman observed that the Executive Committee of Kerala Road Safety Authority has no power to suggest that the project should be placed in Kerala Road Safety Authority with the observations/recommendations of the Executive Committee.

As per Section 5(3) of Kerala Road Safety Authority Act 2007, the Executive Committee shall exercise such powers and discharge such functions of the Authority as may be delegated to it, by the Authority. Hence, the recommendations of the Executive Committee to the Authority is not in order as per the existing rules, the Authority decided not to consider the Agenda items 2,9,10 and 11 and the Chairman directed to resubmit those agenda items afresh before the Authority for decision.

Agenda No.1: Confirmation of Minutes of 44th meeting of the Authority and Action Taken on the decisions of the Kerala Road Safety Authority meeting held on 14/07/2021

The Authority confirmed the minutes of 44th meeting of Kerala Road Safety Authority held on 14-07-2021. It noted Action taken on the decisions of 44th meeting of the Authority. The Chairman directed that Kerala Road Safety Authority should take initiative to conduct High Level meeting with Hon'ble Minister for Transport and Hon'ble Minister for Works for discussion on involving SHG for assisting Road Accident Victims as a 'Janakeeya' Program.

Agenda No.2: Overview of Road Safety situation in the State

Ref: A1/44/KRSA/2019

The Authority noted the review of Road Safety situation in the State and directed Road Safety Commissioner to revise Agenda items, in view of the observations made by the Chairman , Kerala Road Safety Authority.

Agenda No.3: Safe Zone Sabarimala Program for the year 2021-22

Ref: A2/948/KRSA/2021

The Authority ratified the sanction accorded to Transport Commissioner for conducting Safe Zone Sabarimala Program for the year 2021-22. The Transport Commissioner informed that out of Rs.68 lakh sanctioned, nearly Rs.37 lakhs was spent for the project and the unspent amount will be refunded to Kerala Road Safety Authority.

Agenda No.4: Installation of Information Sign Boards with road safety messages at 100 bus stops along City Circular Bus routes in Thiruvananthapuram

Ref: A2/901/KRSA/2021

The Authority ratified the sanction of financial assistance of Rs .15,53,068/- to KSRTC for installation of sign boards carrying Road Safety information along the City Circular Bus Routes in Trivandrum. Hon'ble Minister for Works and Tourism noted that the cost per sign board is higher than that of the sign boards installed by PWD.

(Action: K S R T C)

**Agenda No.5 : Visit of Hon'ble Chairman, Supreme Court Committee on Road Safety
- meeting expenditure on local hospitality.**

Ref: A1/60/2014/KRSA

In view of the difference in amount recorded in the agenda and corresponding vouchers, the Authority deferred decision on the item.

(Action: Kerala Road Safety Authority)

Agenda No.6: Amendment to Kerala Road Safety Authority Act 2007

Ref: A2/342/KRSA/2020

The Authority deferred the item. The proposed amendments of the Kerala Road Safety Authority Act to be discussed in detail with the concerned officials, then will decide to place it in the next meeting.

(Action: Kerala Road Safety Authority)

**Agenda No.7: Approval of Internal Audit Report of Kerala Road Safety Authority for
the year 2018-2019**

Ref: A1/49/KRSA/2022

The Authority discussed the observations of the Internal Audit and directed to submit Action Taken Report and also compliance on Audit observations in the next meeting. The Authority also suggested to finalize pending Audit for the period from 2019-20 to 2021-22 within three months and also submit Annual Report of Kerala Road Safety Authority for 2020-21.

(Action: Kerala Road Safety Authority)

**Agenda No.8(a) : Blackspot Management - 2019: Rectification of Blackspots in
PWD Roads – Sanction of funds**

Ref: A2/1095/KRSA/2018

The Authority approved revised cost estimate of Rs. 23.5 crore for rectification of 25 blackspots without land acquisition from Road Safety Fund. Rectification of remaining blackspots involving land acquisition can be considered after completing the L A procedure.

(Action: PWD (Roads))

Agenda No.8(b): Blackspot Management - 2019: Rectification of Blackspots in LSGD Roads Ref: A2/1095/KRSA/2018

The Authority rejected financial support for the project.

Agenda No.9: Blackspot Management - 2021: Identification of Blackspots – NATPAC Study Ref: A2/1082/KRSA/2020

Deferred.

Agenda No.10: Road Safety Masterplan 2030–Expression of Interest to identify competent agency Ref: A2/610/KRSA/2021

Deferred

(Action: Kerala Road Safety Authority)

Agenda No.11: Need-based Studies and R&D support – Proposal for ‘On demand study service’ Ref: A2/1083/KRSA/2020

Deferred to next meeting.

(Action: Kerala Road Safety Authority)

Agenda No.12: Repair of Traffic Signal at Ramanattukara Nisari Junction and Blinker Lights at Kunnamangalam - Mukkom Road Junction

Ref: A2/85/KRSA/2021

The Authority approved fund for the project and sanctioned Rs.1,25,849/- from Road Safety Fund.

(Action: Police Department)

Agenda No.13 : Tender excess of sanctioned project - Construction of Free Left Road at Malaparamaba Junction in Kozhikode city

Ref: A2/1430/KRSA/2020

The Authority approved the tender excess of Rs. 1,67,028/- for construction of free left road at Malaparamba junction in Kozhikode City.

(Action: DRSC-Kozhikode)

Agenda No.14: Safe Kerala Project – Anticipated fund requirement for year 2022-23

Ref: A1/180/KRSA/2016

The Authority approved the fund requirement for implementation of Safe Kerala Project for 2022-23 and directed the Transport Commissioner to obtain comprehensive Administrative Sanction from the Government for the entire project cost.

(Action: Motor Vehicle Department)

Agenda No.15: Guidelines for Operation of Emergency Ambulance Vehicles in Kerala State

Ref: A1/670/KRSA/2019

The Authority approved 'Guidelines for Operation of Emergency Ambulance Vehicle in Kerala' and decided to circulate to concerned stakeholders.

(Action: Kerala Road Safety Authority)

Agenda No.16: Purchase of vehicles for Traffic Enforcement Units of Kerala Police

Ref: A2/838/KRSA/2021

The Authority deferred decision regarding purchase of vehicles for Traffic Enforcement Units of Kerala Police at Rs. 8.75 crore. Considering the request of IG(Traffic & RSM), the Authority decided to release balance amount of Rs 6.56 crore for purchase of vehicles to Police department as approved in 34th and 35th meeting of the Authority, subject to the condition that the vehicle should exclusively be used for Road Safety purposes including Road Safety Audit and Road Safety Enforcement as per Kerala Road Safety Authority Guidelines.

(Action: Police Department, KRSA)

Agenda No.17: Skywalk Project in Kottayam town – Traffic study by NATPAC

Ref: A2/1070/KRSA/2020

The Authority took note of Structural Stability Report forwarded by District Collector, Kottayam and accorded sanction to NATPAC for conducting traffic study at Rs. 3.98 lakh + GST.

The Authority further decided that, based on the study report of NATPAC, KITCO should complete the project by strictly limiting to the already sanctioned amount. It was decided to release the funds to District Collector, Kottayam according to the requirement limiting to the original sanctioned amount.

(Action: Kerala Road Safety Authority)

Agenda No.18: Payment towards airing Road Safety messages through FM Radio and Prasar Bharathi FM Radio network - settlement of pending bills

Ref : A1 / 1259 / KRSA / 2018

The Authority noted the recommendations of the Committee tabled at the meeting and directed Road Safety Commissioner to scrutinise it and release the payment.

(Action: Kerala Road Safety Authority)

Agenda No.19 : Opening of an account for operating Corporate Social Responsibility Fund

Ref No: A1/132/2022/KRSA

The Authority approved the resolution.

(Action: Kerala Road Safety Authority)

Agenda No.20: Road Safety Awareness through various programs

Ref: A2/497/KRSA/19

The Authority approved to proceed with Road Safety Awareness program using various media platforms. In connection with the above, the Authority sanctioned the following amount to various media platforms.

- a) Social media – Rs 50 lakh ✓
- b) FM Radio network – Rs 2.5 crore ✓
- c) Jingles in Railway stations – Rs 2.0 crore ✓

In addition to the above, the Authority also approved a provision of Rs 3.0 crore for advertisement on Road Safety Awareness using KSRTC buses and bus stations and Rs.50 lakhs for producing short videos and educational films on Road Safety during the year 2022-23.

One of the main functions of Kerala Road Safety Authority is to implement Road Safety Awareness Programs, the Authority decided to set apart with limit of 10% of Road Safety Fund for various Road Safety Advocacy/Awareness programmes every year.

(Action: Kerala Road Safety Authority)

Agenda No.21: Safe Road to School – A Proactive Program for School Students

Ref: A2/144/KRSA/2022

The Authority approved NATPAC proposal of conducting Safe Road to School project to selected 100 schools across the State. NATPAC was asked to select the schools throughout the state and furnish the list of schools for approval by the Authority.

(Action: Kerala Road Safety Authority & NATPAC)

Agenda No.22: Promoting Road Safety Awareness Activities to School Students

Ref: A2/144/2022/KRSA

The Authority decided to sanction Rs 50,000/- per school for 100 selected schools across the state towards promoting road safety activities like activity based learning, awareness classes, demonstration of kerb-drill, first aid training, interactive videos on road safety, charts in school premises and related road safety educational activities. It sanctioned an amount of Rs 50 lakhs to selected 100 schools throughout the state subject to the condition that the list of beneficiary schools shall be finalised by the Authority.

(Action: Kerala Road Safety Authority)

Agenda No.23: Engaging Project Fellows for Data Collection and Analysis purposes

Ref No. A1/65/KRSA/2021

Approved.

(Action: Kerala Road Safety Authority)

Agenda No.24: Order for eviction of encroachment in compliance with directions of High Court of Kerala dated 07/12/2021 in WP(c)27907/2021

Ref: A2/1161/KRSA/2021

The Authority authorised Road Safety Commissioner to issue an order as per Section 14 of the Kerala Road Safety Authority Act, 2007 for eviction of encroachments on Athani - Paravoor road in compliance with the judgement of the High Court of Kerala dated 7th December 2021.

(Action: Kerala Road Safety Authority)

The meeting concluded at 5.45pm with vote of thanks to the Chair.

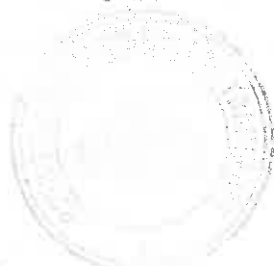
Road Safety Commissioner (i/c)

Road Safety Commissioner
Kerala Road Safety Authority
Thiruvananthapuram



**Hon'ble Minister for Transport &
Chairman, KRSA**

**ANTHONY RAJU
MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT**



List of participants

Sl. No	Name	Designation
1.	Sri.Antony Raju	Hon'ble Minister for Transport and Chairman, KRSA
2.	Sri .Mohammed Riyas.P.A	Hon'ble Minister for Works &Vice Chairman, KRSA
3.	Sri .K. R. Jyothilal, IAS	Principal Secretary, Transport
4.	Sri. M R Ajith Kumar, IPS	Road Safety Commissioner (i/c)
5.	Sri Anoop John Kuruvila IPS	Inspector General of Police (Traffic & RSM)
6.	Sadik . N K	Special Secretary, Law Department
7.	Smt. Anitha .B.C	Joint Secretary representing Additional Chief Secretary Home Department
8.	Sri. Raji Rajendren	Deputy Secretary representing, Additional Chief Secretary LSGD
9.	Smt. Ajitha Kumary.P	Deputy Secretary representing Principal Secretary Finance Department.
10.	Smt. Chithra. K. Divakaren	Under Secretary representing Secretary, General Education Department
11.	Sri . Pramoj Sanker	Additional Transport Commissioner, representing Transport Commissioner
12.	Dr Shinu	Additional Director of Health Services representing Director, Health Services
13.	Ajith Ramachandran	Chief Engineer, PWD(Roads)
14.	Asok Kumar M	Chief Engineer, PWD(National Highways)
15.	Dr Samson Mathew	Director, KSCSTE-NATPAC
16.	Sri. K.P. Somarajan IPS (Rtd)	Member, KRSA
17.	Sri. K. Unnikrishnan Unnithan	Member, KRSA
18.	Siyad . M	Executive Engineer, Road Safety Cell, PWD
19.	A K Sasikumar	Secretary, State Transport Authority

