

SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CONSEQUENCES OF ROAD TRAFFIC INJURY IN SRI LANKA

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Traffic injuries are largely preventable and predictable; it is a human made problem. Today, road traffic injuries are the 9th leading cause of death in the world and, World Health Organization predicts that road traffic injuries will rise to become the 5th leading cause of death by 2030. In Sri Lanka there have been 2721 casualties road accident in the year 2011 death percentage 44 in same year (A publication of the Epidemiology Unit Ministry of Health), therefore in this analyze forces to publish, factors about this road accident and social and economic impacts, after the victims life changers, cost benefit analyzes about this accidents and find solutions to the problem and identify appropriate policies and programs that should be introduced and enforced. Finally this analyzes disseminated findings to policy makers, academics, other responsible bodies and the general public. In this reports I would like to analyze under the fine themes factors of accident, injuries, safety, policy. **The main objective** is to analyze the current Policies and Programs in Sri Lanka and identify measures that need to be taken during the Decade of Action for Road Safety. **The methodology** part of this research, The study is based case-study method while secondary data is also taken for the analysis. This means both quantitative and qualitative methods are meaningfully integrated. Finally **Recommendations for research** Studies should be made to assess the applicability of various quality-of-life scales for the purpose of describing systematically the long-term impacts of traffic injury. Surveys of the general population should be made at regular intervals to determine the incidence and prevalence of lasting impairments as a result of traffic injury. Studies should be made to assess the incidence of mild traumatic brain injury as well as its long-term socio-economic **Consequences and Recommendations for policy making** Reducing not just deaths, but also serious injuries. Programmed designed to treat accident victims who suffer long-term impacts of injury, like post-traumatic stress disorder, should be further developed and their effects evaluated.

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