



Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

# Officers, Staff and Drivers of DGHS pledge to drive safely

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Trauma Care Division, Directorate General of Health Services, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare observed the World Trauma Day today to emphasize the need and importance of observing road traffic rules and saving precious lives lost due to accidents in India. As a part of special awareness drive, all the participants were administered oath of safe driving and promoting safe road culture. The participants were shown video on road safety and Good Samaritan. The event was concluded with distribution of informative brochures to all the participants.

Subject experts from Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, and Ministry of Health interacted with the participants and sensitised them with the do's and don'ts of road safety and Good Samaritan guidelines. Speaking on the occasion, Dr Jagdish Prasad, DGHS stated that it is unfortunate that more people die in road traffic accidents than due to Malaria, T.B and HIV together, but we choose to ignore this silent epidemic. He further exhorted that road traffic accidents are totally avoidable. He also made an appeal to all the participants to follow the traffic rules, avoid using mobile phones while driving and promote healthy road behaviours.

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