

## ARTICLE ON ROAD SAFETY WEEK

Road safety is very important during the road and must be well known by all because the main reasons for death are becoming a road accident. Everyone should know about the traffic rules and safety rules from their early days. So that, they can adopt protective behavior in later life.

Here are some road safety rules:

- 1) Never drink & drive.
- 2) Always wear the seat belt.
- 3) Keep a Safe Distance from the vehicle ahead.
- 4) Always avoid distractions.
- 5) Never break the red signal.
- 6) Always drive within the speed limit.
- 7) Avoid the drowsiness while driving.
- 8) Always cross the road on the Zebra Crossing.
- 9) All those walking on the road should walk towards their left, especially the driver coming from the other side and the vehicle coming from the other side.
- 10) The driver should keep the speed slow while driving on the road.
- 11) Be more careful while moving on more busy roads and road junctions.
- 12) Two-wheeler drivers should wear good quality helmets or they should not come on the road without a helmet.
- 13) Keep the speed of the carriage up to the prescribed limits, especially in schools, hospitals, colonies etc.
- 14) All vehicles must be fixed distance from other vehicles.
- 15) All the people walking on roads are well aware of the signs and rules on the road.
- 16) Keep the rules and regulations of road safety in mind during the journey.

Road accidents have become very common due to the vehicle collisions and ignorance of proper road safety measures. The number of deaths are increasing due to the motor vehicle collisions by the people ignoring road safety rules. Under these conditions it is very important for everyone to be safe on roads and to follow all the traffic rules and regulations.

Everyone should undergo a complete driving course under the guidance of an authorized instructor before starting to drive on the roads. Road safety measures should be added in the school curriculum so that students can get complete knowledge on traffic regulation. Most of the road accidents occur because of incomplete knowledge about operating vehicles and lack of road safety measures.

Drivers should thoroughly check their vehicles daily before the start of any trip and if any issue is found it has to be rectified immediately. Everyone should strictly follow the traffic rules and should always drive safely with respecting the other people and vehicles on the road. One must avoid rash driving, drunken driving and jumping red lights. Wearing helmets and seat belts could highly reduce the number of casualties during an accident. A union effort from each and every one will definitely reduce the number of accidents and make roads safer.

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