3rd High-Level Global Conference on Road Safety for Achieving Global Goals 2030

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Union Minister for Road Transport & Highways took part in the 3rd High-Level Global Conference on Road Safety for Achieving Global Goals 2030.

Background

The United Nations, which has included Road Safety as part of the Sustainable Development Goals, has appealed to the global community to reaffirm their commitment to reducing mortality arising out of road crashes and join hands for making the world a safer place.

India had also signed the Brasilia Declaration on behalf of India at the 2nd High-Level Global Conference on Traffic Safety in 2015, which committed the world community to reduce the number of deaths in road accidents.

Objective

The objective of the two-day conference is to bring road safety on the global agenda and renew the world community's commitment to safer roads

Who organized the conference?

The conference, a follow up of the 2nd High-Level Global Conference on "Traffic Safety-Time of Results" in 2015 in Brazil, is being organized in active collaboration with World Bank, World Health Organisation (WHO) and other agencies who are assisting it by way of strengthening the capabilities of various institutions, enhancing awareness and improving engineering designs for safer roads.

About the conference

- During the conference Leaders from participating countries will draw up a road-map for reaching the United Nation's goal set under the UN Decade of Action of reducing road crashes by 2030.
- The conference marks the end of the UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011–2020 and the starting point for continued collaboration on road safety.
- The conference aims to reach a global consensus on guidelines for continued international collaboration on road safety up to 2030.
- A significant highlight of the conference will be sharing of the expertise by the nations which have gained experience in road safety management with those who are behind in the learning curve. Emphasis will also be on adopting best practices that are emerging in different parts of the world.

Moscow Declaration of 2009 and the Brasilia Declaration of 2015

- The Stockholm Declaration was prepared in close collaboration with the conference's steering group. The Declaration went through an extensive consultation with the WHO Member States through their permanent representations in Geneva, and a transparent and inclusive public consultation open to everybody around the world.
- Building on the Moscow Declaration of 2009 and the Brasilia Declaration of 2015, UN General Assembly and World Health Assembly resolutions, the Stockholm Declaration is ambitious and forward-looking and connects road safety to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

 The Stockholm Declaration also reflects the recommendations of the conference's Academic Expert Group and its independent and scientific assessments of progress made during the Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020 and its proposals for a way forward.