

# GREATER MEKONG SUBREGION 24th Meeting of the SUBREGIONAL TRANSPORT FORUM



## Recent initiatives to improve road safety regimes in GMS countries

- case of Myanmar -

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## Common Issues for Road Safety for GMS Countries



- Inaccuracy of road crash data
- Majority of crashes caused by road user behavior
- Multi-road user environment with animals too
- Safety education inadequate
- Law enforcement inadequate
- Post crash response inadequate

# Major objective: foundation for a sustainable road safety regime for MYA through ongoing projects and TA

- Improving road crash data accuracy
- School safety, community enforcement, animal control
- Simple construction safety actions
- Low-cost approaches for engineering
- Overseas and in-country training
- Post crash response actions

 Action: catalyze 12 Ministries related to road safety and sustain in long term



### Support for improving road crash data accuracy



Statistical means to establish accuracy

Hospital, community, volunteer services data

Police data 100% accurate

2020 2021

Short

2023 Medium 2030 Long



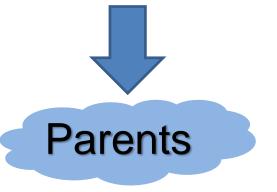
### Plan and implement Safe School Zone (SSZ)



- Propose designs of SSZ for all schools on project roads
- Educate related stakeholders for SSZ
- Monitoring and evaluation for sustainability



Who is the most important stakeholder to run SSZ for sustainability?



### Safety During Construction





- Tool box meeting(Morning Oath and Evening Oath)
- Construction camp safety
- Safety during all construction activities

#### Safety Oaths (To read aloud with all personnel in the morning and in the evening):

#### Morning Oath:

Let's work safely today. Let's protect each other. Let's protect all road users and animals. Let's avoid crashes. Let's have a zero crash day. We will keep ourselves safe in order to keep others safe. Each individual person deserves to be safe and happy.

#### Evening Oath:

Let's go home to our families safely. Let's keep all of us safe. Let's have a zero crash rest of the day. We will keep ourselves safe in order to keep others safe. Each individual person deserves to be safe and happy.



### Community Enforcement and Animal Control





Alt. 1 High Cost Measure

· Guardrail



"Low Cost Engineering Solution"



Alt. 2 Low Cost Measure (Speed Reducing Effect)

- · Chevron Alignment Sign
- Chevron Mark on Road Surface
- · Rumble Strip
- Siren to Sound like Police actuated by Speed
- Education of Police Enforcement

ADB Post crash response

first AID



call for medical help

monitor victim closely







# Emergency Response for Crashes







### **COVID vs Road Safety**



- Pandemic is less risky than road safety risks
- Both can be avoided by improving human behavior
- Global actions to avoid COVID is about ONE year old
- Road safety actions take more than THREE decades
- Key anti-COVID actions: self-education-enforcement
- Self-education-enforcement doable for road safety!
- Anti-COVID actions are not cost-free
- Road safety can be cost-free: be safe, avoid risks,
   be an advocate, be an enforcer, make others safe



What's more valuable for you? Everybody's life or fun all together?

THINK FIRST