

Developing a Road Safety Observatory for the region

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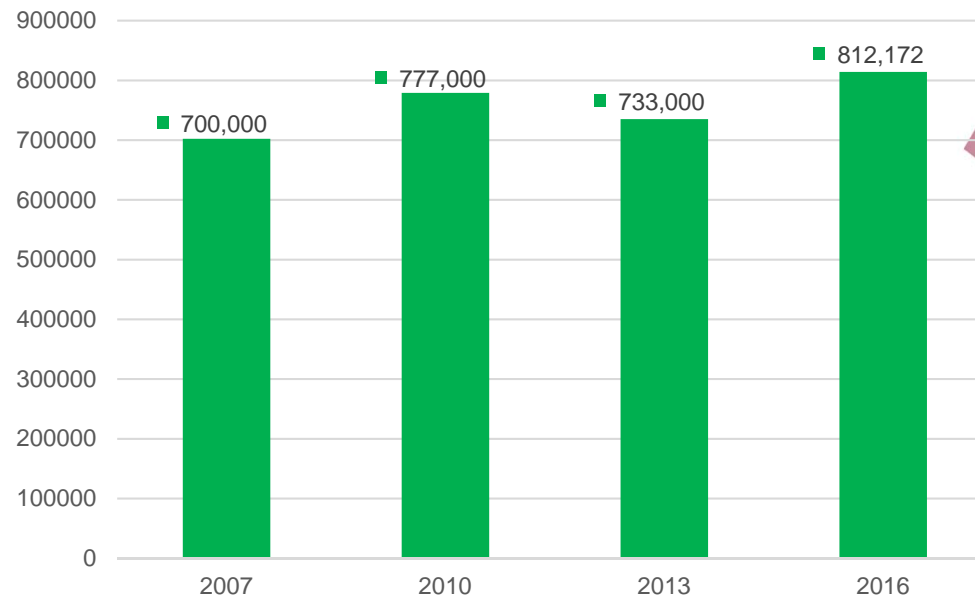


Road Safety Crisis

1. Over 1.35 million people die globally every year (60% in ESCAP region)
2. Up to 50 million injuries
3. 8th Leading cause of death for all ages
4. Economic cost and social impacts – As high as 6% of national GDPs
5. Preventable and predictable man-made problems.
6. In 2016, one person killed in every 38 seconds in the ESCAP Region (In 2013, 43 seconds).

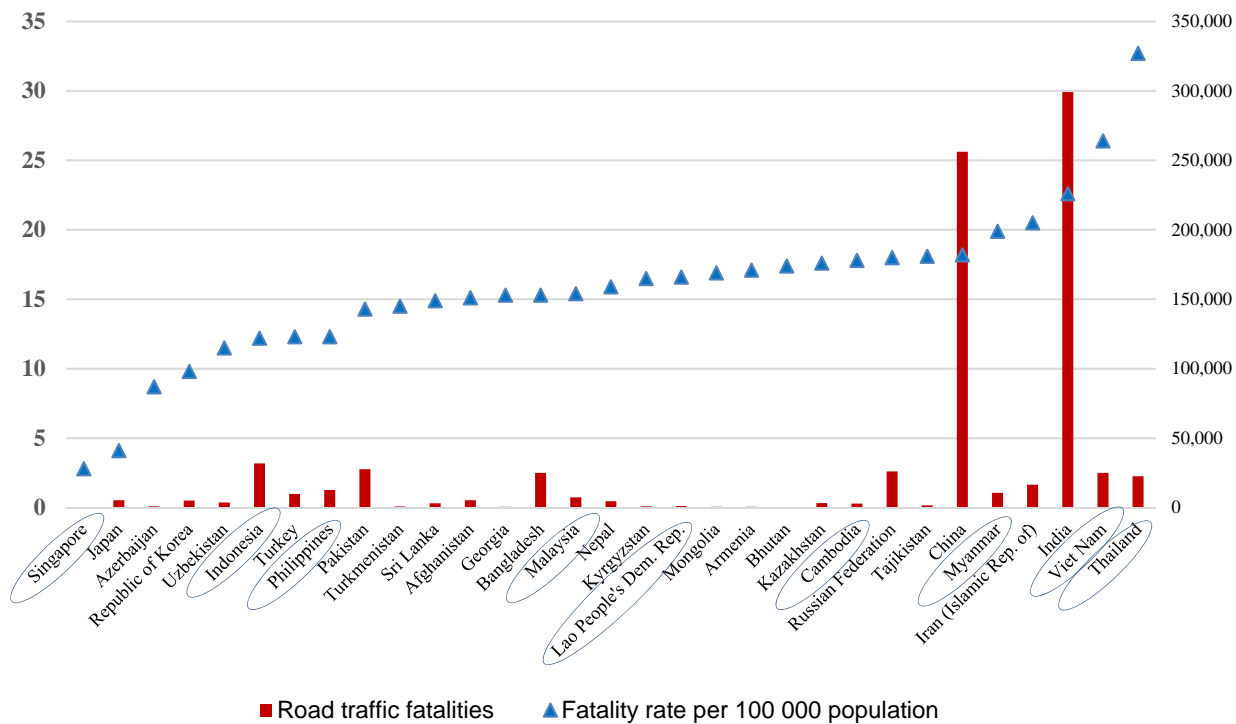
ESCAP Region

ESCAP Road Crash Fatalities



■ Number of Fatalities

ESCAP Road Crash Fatalities and Fatality Rate (2016)



SDGs – Road Safety

1. Target 3.6: “By 2020, halve the number of global deaths and injuries from road traffic accidents”
2. Target 11.2: “By 2030, provide access to safe, affordable, accessible and sustainable transport systems for all, by improving road safety - -”



Lack of **Quality** Data

- WHO data
 - Once every three years
 - Reported verses estimated
- Road crash data
 - **Inconsistency** among countries
 - **Under-reporting**
 - **Ill informed** decisions



Road Safety Observatory (RSO) examples:

1. Ibero American Road Safety Observatory (OISEVI), established since 2012.
2. Africa Road Safety Observatory (ARSO), established since 2018.
3. Middle East Road Safety Observatory, under development since 2019.



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RSO - Concept

A regional platform for members to deliberate on road safety data, and develop road safety data-related evidence-based policies and practices in the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals.

- A network of government representatives
- Share experiences, data and information
- Co-operation
- Conduct joint studies

Opportunities

- A **new and innovative approach** on Road Safety in the region.
- Enhanced **engagement** with countries.
- Access to **higher quality road crash data**.
- Assist member countries to develop **evidence-based road safety policies**, which could inform future road safety resolutions proposed by member States at future Committee on Transport (2020) and/or the Ministerial Conference on Transport (2021).
- Access to **international financing support**






Next Steps

1. RSO **Interim Task Forces**:
 - Minimum data requirements
 - Governance structure
2. **2nd exploration meeting** (Sept/Oct 2019):
 - Potentially, a back-to-back meeting with an ESCAP Road Safety Capacity Building Workshop for the Central Asia Sub-region.



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