

MEDIA STATEMENT ROAD TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT OF MALAYSIA IMPLEMENTATION OF 'ROAD OPS' DURING CHRISTMAS DAY AND 2017 NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS

In conjunction with the celebration of Christmas and 2017 New Year holidays, the Road Transport Department (RTD) Malaysia will implement the **'Road Ops'** as the direction and vision of the Honorable Minister seeking enforcement activities are carried out in a holistic manner and not seasonally included in the long holiday season.

The aim of this operation is to:

- a) reduce the number of accidents and deaths on the roads;
- b) develop considerate and safe driving by road users;
- enhance Perception Of Being Caught (POBC) among road users;
 and
- d) to take stern action against drivers who do not comply with the rules and laws of the road during the operation.

The implementation of this operation are as follows: -

ENFORCEMENT PERIOD

- a) Christmas Holidays Celebration starts at 24th to 26th December 2016;
- b) 2017 New Year celebrations begins on 30th December 2016 to 02nd January 2017.

OPERATIONS TARGET

Aims to reduce the number of accidents and deaths due to road accidents for the user categories as follows: -

- a) Motorcycles;
- b) Private motor car vehicle;

c) Public service vehicles; and

d) Goods Vehicles.

ENFORCEMENT METHODOLOGY

- National Blue Ocean Strategy (NBOS) involving agencies such as the RMP, the RSD and the LPTC.
- Conduct Enforcement Patrols along the highways and main state roads across the country. The vehicles will be checked randomly to increase Perception Of Being Caught (POBC) among drivers and must be made in appropriate places that are not harmful and does not cause traffic jams.
- Conduct inspections of buses in the main bus terminals in the country. The purpose of this inspection:
 - a) enforce the rules under rule 10B RTR (revised 2004) as regards to the second driver, log books and driving for more than 8 hours in a 24 hour period;
 - b) carry out inspection of the brakes and tires of express buses that will travel more than 300 km or 4 hours.
- Disguise as Express Bus Passengers to track down the drivers who commit offenses under the Road Transport Act 1987.
- Enforcement of Photographed Disguises in a location that violations always happens that contributes to road accidents. Offences to be focused as follows:
 - a) fails to comply with traffic lights;
 - b) overtaking at double lines;
 - c) driving in the emergency lane;
 - d) cutting queue (Beat Q);
 - e) use a mobile phone while driving;
 - f) do not wear seat belts (front / rear); and
 - g) does not wear a helmet (rider / pillion);

• Enforcement Motorcycle on major routes identified and site selection is the main route into the city / town where applicable to be determined by the State RTD and only specialize action on motorcycles only.

Hopefully the strategy implemented in this Road Ops achieves the target to reduce the number of accidents and deaths on the roads during the holiday of Christmas and 2017 New Year's Day 2017 celebrations.

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