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Road network

Vietnam has a substantial length of road network of over 280,000 km:

- National roads: 18,000 km
- Provincial roads: 26,000 km
- District roads: 51,000 km
- Rural roads: 161,000 km
- Other roads: 24,000 km
Objectives of the Road Safety Strategy

Establishing sustainable development policies on road traffic safety (RTS) to meet current and future demands; Sustainably reducing road traffic accidents (RTAs) and building a traffic cultural society with a modern, orderly, safe, civilized, convenient and stable transport environment.

2012 – 2020, reducing the number of fatalities in road accidents 5-10%. At present reducing 5-10% cases, fatalities and injuries every year.

Period 2021 – 2030, controlling three figures: the number of traffic accidents, the number fatalities of and injuries in road accidents. RTS management system is effectively and sustainably established. Road transport infrastructure is well-invested, meeting RTS standards.
Main activities being implemented

- In 2015, the first ever year conducted road safety audit for newly construction/upgrading road projects;
- 2015 completed Projects for the Improvement of Highway No 1 and Ho Chi Minh Highway, which play an important role for transport from the North to the South of Viet Nam.
Main activities being implemented

- Continue to tighten management on road transport business and control of overloading vehicles;
- Installed tracking devices on commercial vehicles (heavy trucks, passenger coaches and buses);
- Tighten driver training and driver licensing;
- Surveillance cameras were installed in main expressways and highways;
- Revised Decree No 171 for fine traffic violation: Seat Belt and use hand phone when driving.
Road safety facts

![Graph showing road safety facts from 2000 to 2015](image_url)

- **Cases**
- **Death**
- **Injured**
The first 6 months of 2016

In the first 6 months of 2016, in the nationwide 10,227 road accidents cases happened causing 4,362 death and 8,939 injured, compared to the same period last year reduced 952 cases (8.52%), reduced 116 death (-2.59%), reduced 1,213 injured (-11.95%).
Challenges

- Transport infrastructure recently giving heavily investment, however it is still backward; the number of vehicle is increasing very fast;
- Road users behavior toward traffic laws and regulations is not good;
- Law enforcement force lacks of equipment and facilities;
- Application of technology and new equipment in road traffic safety is still limited.
The way forward

- In 2016 - 2017, Viet Nam has a plan to revise Road Traffic Law.
- Transport sector is under restructuring process in order to increase market share of inland waterway and railway transport and reducing market share of road transport.
Thank you for your attention!