



Traffic Police will Work on the Lines of Maharashtra in Haryana

Why In News?

- On January 13, 2023, Haryana Home Minister Anil Vij informed that the state government is preparing to implement a police system on the lines of Maharashtra to prevent road accidents in the state, so the system of traffic police in the state is being changed.

Key points

- It is notable that the IG Traffic in the state has sent a proposal to the government to post SP level officers in the traffic police on the lines of Maharashtra. Union Surface Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari had written a letter to all the state governments recommending implementation of police system on the lines of Maharashtra to prevent road accidents.
- Home Minister Anil Vij told that at present the traffic system of Haryana is running very lax. The state government has created the post of IG Traffic, but IG Traffic has almost no powers. The IG cannot even transfer an SHO. SHOs and DSPs come under the superintendents of police in the district. The IG must give instructions only through the Superintendents of Police.
- He told that under the blueprint prepared for the new system, IG traffic will be in charge. Superintendent of Police level officers will be posted in the traffic police. There will be four or five districts under one SP. Traffic DSPs will be working in the districts. SHO traffic will be under these DSPs.
- It is known that in the last year 2022 in Haryana, 4516 people lost their lives and 8447 people were injured in 9951 road accidents. The Transport Department has set a target of reducing accidents by 20 per cent by 2023.
- To reduce accidents, the Transport Department will appoint Road Safety Associates on contract basis for all the districts. The state government has given instructions for marking on the roads. It has been asked to install reflectors on vehicles like tractor trolleys and reflective tapes on the horns of stray animals as soon as possible.