

UP First in India to Use AI for Road Safety

Why in News?

Uttar Pradesh has become the first Indian state to launch an <u>Artificial Intelligence (AI)</u> and <u>Big</u>

<u>Data</u> Analytics based Road Safety Pilot Project, approved by the <u>Ministry of Road Transport and Highways</u> (MoRTH).

The state government has allocated Rs 10 crore in its 2025-26 Budget to develop a 'data-driven administrative model' for the Transport Department.

Key Points

- Project Partners: The pilot project will be executed at no cost by the public sector enterprise ITI Limited, in collaboration with the global technology firm mLogica.
 - The Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (MoRTH) holds no financial liability for the project.
- Comprehensive Al Integration: The project will analyse accident reports, weather conditions, vehicle details, driver records, and road infrastructure to identify causes of accidents and detect black spots on highways.
 - It will focus on data collection and the creation of a predictive AI model to trace accident patterns and high-risk zones.
- **Real-Time Dashboard:** A **policy dashboard** will be developed to monitor vehicle movements, violations, income records, and enforcement data all in real time.
- Fraud Detection & E-Challan Monitoring: The system will automatically flag fraudulent applications, track vehicle locations, aid in on-the-spot enforcement, and e-challan recovery.
- Wider Integration: Around 5 crore vehicles and 3 crore driving licence holders will be linked to the system.
 - Al will be extended to other transport services like faceless issuance of driving licences and permits, application approvals, and document printing.
- **Legality of Project:** The Ministry also emphasized that the initiative must fully adhere to the **Motor Vehicles Act, 1988**, the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989, and all road safety standard operating procedures (SOPs).

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