



ODISHA POLICE  
CRIME BRANCH  
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT

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Sub.: PREVENTIVE MEASURES TO CURB HIGHWAY ROBBERY ON  
COMMERCIAL VEHICLES

Recently some incidents of highway robberies on commercial vehicles have taken place. It is observed that miscreants are attacking drivers and helpers in order to take away the consignments with or without vehicles. In some cases the drivers and helpers have also been killed. This has created a fear psychosis in the minds of vehicle owners and their staff. In order to control such a form of crime, the following measures are ordered to be adopted.

- i) All IsIC/OsIC shall promptly register FIR of such crime under proper sections of law and take up investigation. In case of different jurisdiction, the FIR shall be subsequently transferred.
- ii) Mobile patrolling shall be introduced on vulnerable stretches of State and National Highways and whenever required, escorting of vehicles shall be undertaken.
- iii) Road side dhabas/restaurants should be kept under strict surveillance.
- iv) SsP/DCsP shall advise Truck/ Tanker Owners Associations that number plates of vehicle must be clearly visible and no iron grill etc. is affixed to prevent clear visibility of such number plates.

- v) District SsP shall periodically meet the office bearers of Truck and Tanker Owners Associations for exchange of information and redressal of grievance, if any.
- vi) Range DIG/IG should organize inter-district meetings and border meetings with police officials of neighbouring states for sharing of information about criminal gangs.
- vii) New history sheets must be opened and old history sheets updated, especially with regard to highway robbery cases.
- viii) In case of successful detection and arrest of gang members involved in highway robberies, information sharing with neighboring districts / States should be encouraged.
- ix) SsP/DCsP shall advise the truck owners that every holder of a stage carriage permit shall install a Close Circuit Television (CCTV) and Global Positioning System (GPS) in the vehicle, duly certified by the Regional Transport Officer.
- x) SsP/DCsP shall advise the truck owners that every holder of a stage carriage permit shall intimate in advance to the local police station and the State Transport Authority or the Regional Transport Authority, as the case may be, the name of the driver, conductor or helper with their address, photograph and identity proof before their engagement.

  
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Copy to:

- All District SsP including SsRP, Cuttack / Rourkela & DCsP, Cuttack/ Bhubaneswar/SP, CID, CB/SsP STF/EOW.
- Copy to Commissioner of Police, Bhubaneswar-Cuttack, Bhubaneswar/ Addl. DG of Police, Railways, Cuttack / All Range IsG and DIsG of Police / DIG of Police, EOW/STF, Bhubaneswar for information and necessary action please. They are requested to ensure implementation of the above mentioned instructions under their jurisdiction.

  
23/5/15

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