

# Safehur Driving Risk Improvement Program

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(PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS)

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# Safegur Recommendation 1 → Involvement of Key Stakeholders

## Observation

- Excellent participation from Depot Operations, Health/Safety/Environment Team and Drivers
- Limited involvement of S&D team, although it continuously engages with drivers

## Recommendations

Following stake holders are key to driver engagement:

i.Fleet Owner	}	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has strong professional control over drivers, can impact their driving behaviour</li> </ul>
Depot S&D	}	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engages with drivers daily, can impact driver communication and feedback to enhance effectiveness of Transport Safety and Driver Management processes</li> </ul>
Regional HR	}	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Link Driving Risk to soft &amp;/or hard incentives for best performing drivers</li> <li>• Driver incentivization being a centralized program is best managed by Regional HR</li> </ul>
Driver's Family	}	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Counselling insights show that driving profession is strongly influenced by family.</li> <li>• Test hypothesis that driver's family will be pivotal to reducing driving risk</li> </ul>

# Safehur Recommendation 2 → Integration of Structured Data Insights into Business Processes...1

## Observations and Recommendations (from Structured Data)

<p>Daily Performance Visibility to drivers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide daily visibility of previous day performance (Driving Risk Score, Deviations, Emerging Risk Trends) to drivers</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintain &amp; Update Individual Risk Profiles</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Driving risk profile is the core data for driver engagement (counselling, focussed area coaching, etc.), and benchmarking drivers' performance</li> </ul>
<p>Pre-screening Criteria</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Driving Risk score should be mandatory screening criteria for new drivers.</li> <li>• Each incumbent driver must clear the minimum requirements</li> </ul>
<p>Associate Soft Benefits with Driving Behaviour</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Benefits and penalties should be associated with daily driving risk, for e.g. link trip allocation priority to previous day score</li> </ul>

# Safegur Recommendation 2 → Integrate Structured Data Insights into Business Processes...2

## Incentivisation Programs for Safe Driving

For an effective driver incentivization program:

- Drivers need to 'earn' incentives by demonstrating daily Safe Driving.
- Integrate Driver Risk Profiles with respective financial inclusion needs

## Contours of Safegur Incentivisation Programs

Safegur: Financial Inclusion benefit comprises products (of 1-year tenure)

- Money-Back (return of premium) Life Insurance products
- Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) products
- Family Protection Plan (Health Insurance)

The financial solutions are 'accumulative' and proportional to driver's risk performance.

- *Money-Back Life Insurance*: Sum Insured is enhanced periodically, based on driver's risk behaviour
- *SIP*: Periodic investment is based on the driver's risk behaviour
- *Family Protection Plan*: Sum Insured is enhanced periodically, based on driver's risk behaviour

# Safehur Recommendation 3 → Integrate Unstructured Data Insights into Business Processes...1

**Objective:** Integrate unstructured data insights into business processes

## Observations (*Counselling Insights*)

“Bharat Benz” Factor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As drivers had greater control in Bharat Benz trucks, so took more risks (late/hard braking, closer tailgating, etc.)</li> </ul>
Impact of Festivals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unusually high deviations on festival day (Karva Chauth), because of additional trips’ allocations on Saturdays coupled with the need to reach home early</li> </ul>
“Bad Roads” Factor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Few drivers plying regularly on a poorly maintained road stretch of 3-4 kms, negotiated at high speeds, especially during early morning hours, increasing their accident risk.</li> </ul>
“End-of-Month” Impact	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drivers were allocated additional trips in this period; also Delhi traffic is chaotic</li> <li>• Increased workload and higher fatigue in this period led to higher deviations</li> </ul>
“Making Fun Of” Factor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safe drivers who were ‘late’ to the depot, were ridiculed, this ‘cultural’ effect institutionalized bad driving among new drivers</li> </ul>

**Counselling Impact:** A single 1-to-1 counselling session with drivers improved their driving skills by 63% and driving behaviours by 58%.

# Safehur Recommendation 3 → Integrate Unstructured Data Insights into Business Processes...2

## Observations *(from unstructured data)*

- Specific interventions will pre-empt impact of micro/ local factors that lead to deviant driving.
- Such behaviours should be developed as ‘case studies’, shared with and sensitized to all drivers

## Recommendations

### Driver Engagement

- Increase frequency of personalized driver interactions
- Driver counselling process should target 12 hours/year/driver

### Integrate Unstructured data with Safe Transportation Data Lake

- Organize unstructured data from driver engagement processes for impact analysis and devising accident prevention policies
- Automate data collection for sustainable Safe Transportation programs

## Significant value can be created for Safe Transportation Programs by integrating following datasets:

- Safehur driving risk data + Safehur data from driver engagement programs
- Offline data repositories consisting of the drivers’ database and the historical lorry accidents’ data
- Data from Driver-related business processes, such as S&D, Safety, Compliance, Driver Feedback, etc.

# Safehur Recommendation 4 → Road Accidents: Historical Data and Analytics

## Observation

Correlation between historical accidents' data and Safehur Driving Risk data wasn't computed or analysed, as offline accident data was outside the scope of the program

## Recommendations

To build a comprehensive, data-centric framework for sustainable improvements in transportation safety :

Define and classify accidents

Improve data repository of historical accidents with accident investigation details

Correlate accident data analysis with other data-points, including structured data (Safehur), unstructured data (driver counselling), driver database, trip data, etc.

# Safegur Recommendation 5 → Lorry Drivers: Professional and Social Data about drivers

## **Observation**

The Scope-of-work of the Safegur Program did not include data and information about drivers, hence could not correlate risk profiles of drivers with their past professional data and social attributes.

## **Recommendations**

To create a data-centric Safe Transportation framework, the Transportation Safety Data Lake should include professional and social information of drivers

### **•Professional data about drivers includes**

- Employment history
- Past accidents and challans
- Trainings and coaching attended

### **Drivers' social data includes**

- Demographic data
- Educational and family background

## Safehur Recommendation 6 → Regulated Conditions of Safehur Program...1

### **Observation**

Safehur program was conducted under reasonably controlled and sanitized conditions. Key program characteristics were:

Program comprised of only 20 drivers, but with a mix of dealer-linked and market operated trucks.

Program was conducted in Delhi; with good road infrastructure & traffic surveillance, rash driving is low here.

All drivers are locals and go back home daily.

In Delhi, a single accident can harm company reputation, so both staff & drivers have good safety orientation.

## Safehur Recommendation 6 → Regulated Conditions of Safehur Program...2

### **Recommendation**

Safehur program should be conducted under diverse conditions to demonstrate program sustainability.

Depots should be selected based on the following mix:

- Historically high accident rate with low compliance to road safety, transportation safety practices, etc.
- High proportion of floating population among drivers
- Servicing both long (average daily movement of 250+ kms) and short routes.
- Servicing regions with poorly maintained roads and in-disciplined traffic conditions.

All depot drivers should be included in the program.

- This will help establish correlation between driving risk and demographic and professional profile (age, education, experience, dealer or transporter-employed, etc.) of drivers.

Program should be observed for a longer period of time, preferably 12-months.

- This will provide a full cycle of data on driving risk patterns and correlations between driving behaviour and cyclical parameters (weather, contract validity, etc.).

# Safehur Recommendation 7 → (Re)defining the operational & business metrics on Transportation Safety & Compliance...1

**Objective:** Institutionalize Leading Indicators of Driving Risk across the Transportation network

## Observation

Current metric for Transportation Safety is Accident Rate, a Lagging Risk Indicator that is useful for Post-mortem Investigation and Accident Analysis

Safehur focuses on “Leading Indicators of Risk” for accident prevention, as it

- Provides opportunity for early detection of deviant driving
- Focuses on correcting such behaviour
- Brings a risk mitigation approach

In the Safehur 2-month Program,

- Leading Indicators of Risk were defined and validated
- Driving risk was normalized and validated across varying road and traffic situations
- Leading Risk Indicators were used to benchmark Driving Behaviour & input for one-on-one counselling

## Safehur Recommendation 7 → (Re)defining the operational & business metrics on Transportation Safety & Compliance...2

### **Recommendations**

Standardize and institutionalize the interpretation of Leading Risk Indicators to all Depots, pan-India

Use Leading Risk Indicators' framework to benchmark Depots on Transportation Safety & Compliance

Design and implement driver-specific insights and intervention

# Safehur Recommendation 8 → Demonstrate Sustainability, Scalability, Replicability & Effectiveness of Safehur Program

## Observation

The 2-month program demonstrated Safehur’s capability to discipline rash drivers using technology & data analytics. Demonstrating program sustainability was outside its scope.

## Recommendations

- Conduct second program to demonstrate Safehur’s fitment with the larger BPCL objectives

### Program Objective

- To demonstrate Sustainability, Scalability, Replicability and Effectiveness of Safehur program

### Program Design

- Duration: 12-month
- Coverage: 800-1000 drivers across 5 Depots

### Program Metrics: Demonstrate program effectiveness by measuring reduction in Accident Risk

- For this Safehur program will bring innovative solution features, including Driver Engagement, Driver Incentivization and Offline Data Analytics

# Safehur Recommendation 9 → Challenge of Floating Population of Drivers

## Observation

The Floating Population challenge can be solved through a mix of:

- Early screening / identification of drivers likely to ‘float around’
- Identification of conditions responsible for driver attrition, and
- Targeted driver-centric interventions, including driver engagement programs & incentivize safe driving

## Recommendations

Safehur is well-placed to solve the Floating Population Challenge, by

- Developing early-warning, analytical models to classify drivers with high propensity to float around.
- Designing and institutionalizing Driver Engagement Program
- Designing and supervising Driver Incentivization Program

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