

A mandated government agency that was responsible for Road Safety matters in PNG.

- Advise government on road safety matters
- Develop road safety strategies, policies and provide leadership on Road Safety matters.
- Foster, promote and coordinate Road Safety Activities in PNG.



Road Traffic Authority (RTA)

In recent years the government enacted RTA Act merging several legislations and one of them is NRSC Act. That is how the functions of NRSC were inherited by RTA.

Currently, the functions are being performed by RTA where Road Safety is a Unit of its own within RTA Structure.

Crash Statistics Road Safety Situation in PNG

- About 300-500 people die each year in PNG alone as recorded by Traffic Police and Road Traffic Authority (RTA) Accident Data Base
- The trend of Road Accident is always increasing each year.
- The most common Age range is between 15-49 years, which is the cream of the population, the very active people are dying from Road Accident.
- The major cause is drinking and driving coupling up with speeding.
- The larger portion of victims is Pedestrians, all ages.
- Children make up the large percentage of the people who die in the road crashes.
- The full Report is in the website and here is the link <u>https://www.rta.gov.pg/publications/rs-data-reports/</u>



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Source: RTA. 2010-2014 Road Safety Data Report. Papua New Guinea

Current Trend – Road Safety



2010-2014 Road Safety Data Report Papua New Guinea



Mandated Responsibilities

• Enforcement – on going activity.

> Area of need,

1. Enforcing Speed laws, using speed detecting equipment such as speed guns,

2. Drinking & Driving, testing equipment such as Breathalyzers and Laboratory testing equipment.

 Road Safety Education & Awareness in Schools and Public places – on going activity.

Road Safety Projects

1. Development of Road Safety Teachers Resource Book.

- Having Realised that this one off annual visits and talks by RTA only of real value and benefit if they are part of ongoing work in the school through a structured program of road safety education, this Teachers Resource Book was developed.
- The teachers in Primary Schools will use this book to teach road safety in schools throughout the country.
- Its ultimate aim is to try and change behaviour of road users.
- Status of the book at the point of printing, distribution and Training teachers for implementation.
- Current Partner in developing this book is FIA Foundations through Unicef PNG.

Road Safety Education A Teacher's Resource Book For Primary Schools







ROAD SAFETY AUTHORITY

2. Star Rating for Schools with iRAP

- Necessary information of critical locations of 12 schools in the capital city of PNG had been provided to SR4S web-based platform for iRAP's Review.
- > iRAP Review of critical locations done
- Documented, ready for implementation of the interventions.
- We want to take this as a trial, if it works, we want to do the same for all the schools in towns & cities in PNG.





CHILD ROAD SAFETY PROJECT IN COLLABORATION WITH UNICEF

Safe Journey To School –Star Rating for Schools



Road Traffic Authority

Area of Investment-Collaboration Required

- Capacity Building training the local road safety officers and road safety engineers.
- 2019-2020, a Road Safety Consultant was engaged by RTA through ADB funding. One of the ToR was to develop a Road Safety Strategy (RSS). The consultant did the draft with 5 years Action Plans, mostly consultation work, with other stakeholders, and it stresses up to 20 Years Action Plans, draft available.

Area of Collaboration and funding

1. A Road Safety Consultant.

2. Road Safety Teachers Resource Book. (Printing Distribution, & Training of Teachers for implementation (teaching)

3. Development of Road Transport Management System (ICT) for vehicle Registration & Driver Licensing . This will also compliment the driver testing both theory and practical. It will roll it out to all provinces.