India's comments on ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRE/2006/46

Note: India suggests the modifications to paragraphs 6.2.7. and 6.2.9. of Regulation No. 53 in order to align the requirements of the Regulation with those of Regulation No. 48.

The proposed modifications to the current text of the Regulation are marked in **bold** or **strikethrough** characters.

A. PROPOSAL

Paragraph 6.2.7., amend to read:

"6.2.7. Electrical connections

The control for changing over to the passing beam(s) shall switch off the driving beam(s) simultaneously.

The dipped beams may remain switched on at the same time as the main beams.

In the case of dipped-beam headlamps according to Regulation No. 98 the gas-discharge light sources shall remain switched on during the main-beam operation."

Paragraph 6.2.9., amend to read:

"6.2.9. Other requirements

None. Dipped-beam headlamps with a light source having an objective luminous flux which exceeds 2,000 lumen shall only be installed in conjunction with the installation of headlamp cleaning device(s) according to Regulation No. 45."

B. JUSTIFICATION

The following requirements for the use of headlamps with gas-discharge light sources exist in paragraphs 6.2.7. and 6.2.9. of Regulation No. 48:
- keeping the dipped beam ON when the main beam is ON (to take care of the time lapse for the gas-discharge lamp to come ON);
- the use of headlamp cleaner.

India is of the opinion that these conditions should be applied for motorcycles also.