



State of Palestine
Ministry of Transport

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Introduction:

- State of Palestine is in a good position regarding to fatal accident rates; it is in a second place among the member states of EuroMed Transport Support Project. Our rate is 5.3/100.000 person, which is very close to the European average 4.9/100.000 person.
- Our **High Traffic Council** plays a key role in dedicated measures and plans in addressing and raising road safety mobility.

Statistics:

No. of Registered Vehicles:

No. of Registered Vehicles	No. of new vehicles Registered in 2019	No. of new vehicles Registered in 2020	No. of new vehicles Registered in 2021
486392	27335	20136	30783

No. of Traffic Accident (2021):

No. of Traffic Accident:	No. of Injuries			
	Minor	Medium	Serious	Death
14435	10112	712	196	133

No. of Traffic Violations (2021):

No. of Traffic Violations	Technical Inspection	No. of administratively reserved vehicles
176783	636240	729

Strategic Projects:

Improving Public Transport Infrastructure



State of Palestine



Intelligent Transport Systems
(ITS)



1- Intelligent Transport System (ITS)

- We prepared **National Strategic Framework for ITS in Palestine 2019-2029**, consists of 3 phases (5, 3, and 3 years), each phase has a lot of programs and systems.
- In full coordination and cooperation with the municipalities, we started applying **Advanced Traffic Management Systems (ATMS)**.
- The first municipality that started implementing these systems is the Hebron Municipality.
- At the beginning of next year, these systems will be implemented in other municipalities: Nablus, Ramallah, Tulkarem.
- We are currently preparing the (ToR) for a tender before the end of this year to establish a central traffic control room at the Ministry's headquarters.
- Our national team for ITS prepares a draft law for ITS.

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2029-2019



2– Improving Public Transport Infrastructure:

➤ The Council of Ministers issued a decision to establish

a public bus transport company

in partnership between the public and private sectors to operate between cities.

➤ This company aims at, improving public transport infrastructure, the two primary objectives are:

✓ **Improving the quality of service of public transport in the West Bank, and**

✓ **Safeguard the long term financial sustainability of the sector.**

➤ MoT approved to Nablus Municipality to establish **a public bus company** to operate all internal lines in the city in an advanced operation methods and with new buses.

➤ We will apply the Nablus experience to other cities.

➤ We participated in preparing the master plan for public transport in the urban area: Ramallah, Beitunia, Surda, Abu Qash.



International Refereed Scientific Conference :

In 08-09/11/2022, an International Refereed Scientific Conference (**Sustainable development in traffic safety**) will be held in the College for Police Sciences in Jericho.

The general objectives of the conference:

- Improving Traffic Safety (TS) in a sustainable manner
- Seeking for multidimension TS effective polices
- Strengthening the principles of TS and ensuring deaths and serious injuries reduction
- Producing legal and practical recommendations based on the scientific methods to achieving goals

Conference axes :

- **First:** Regulation and TS enforcement
- **Second:** Engineering systems on TS
- **Third:** Modern Technologies on TS
- **Fourth:** Traffic Awareness and Culture on TS
- **Fifth:** TS reality in Palestine

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Under the Patronage of Prime Minister
Dr. Mohammed Ishtaiah

Palestine College for Police Sciences, organizes a partnership and cooperation with:

International Refereed Scientific Conference
(Sustainable development in traffic safety)
Jericho - Palestine College for Police Sciences
08-09/11/2022

International Refereed Scientific Conference (Cont'd)

Sub-goals:

- Finding necessary legal framework for traffic safety mechanisms and procedures
- Employing legal, police and scientific expertise in finding appropriate alternatives serving traffic issue and exchanging experiences
- Identifying mechanisms for dealing with traffic problems, applicable solutions, and benefit from modern technologies
- Developing modern technologies of traffic safety
- Encouraging and directing investment in infrastructure and urban planning to improve the traffic environment.
- Raising the capacity of traffic control, traffic accident management, and emergency response speed.
- Spreading traffic safety culture and safe traffic among members of society, influencing behavior and raising traffic awareness among citizens.
- Joining efforts to reach a sustainable infrastructure to achieve traffic safety.

Our Priorities:



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- ❑ Developing National Strategy for traffic safety in Palestine.
- ❑ Establishing a National Observatory for Traffic safety in Palestine.
- ❑ Implementing the action plan of our strategic framework of ITS.
- ❑ Implementing our project: improving public transport infrastructure.
- ❑ Implementing the first phases of Master Plan regarding to: studies, proposals, and implement which can be implemented of railway links on the ground between cities such as Nablus - Ramallah.

All these priorities will contribute effectively to increasing road safety in Palestine.

Remaining Challenges:

- ❖ The State of Palestine represents a very special case facing unique challenges.
 - ✓ Its major characteristic is that it does not enjoy territorial sovereignty and does not control its own borders. Nowadays, all gates in and out of the areas of the Palestinian territories, for passengers and goods, are controlled by Israel.
 - ✓ Moreover, there is no territorial continuity between West-Bank and Gaza Strip and no direct connection by any mode of transport.
- ❖ This situation hinders the execution of programs and objectives and weakens Palestinian control over much of the transport infrastructure.
- ❖ Funding to implement our plans and programs.



Thank you for your
attention.

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