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ABSTRACT

Vehicle accidents have become an agony to a country as a whole and for victims and their dependents in general. The impact is gigantic and words are insufficient to describe. This principle is similarly applicable to the Sri Lanka Army and the members of it. Increased trend of vehicle accidents in Sri Lanka Army is the main reason behind this research. This unfortunate situation has resulted many people to end up with death and injuries while some others to suffer in their life times as disabled. Moreover, the damages to the public and private property cannot be ignored. This basically constructed the background for this research. The main objective of this research was to identify causes leading to increased vehicle accidents in Sri Lanka Army. In conducting this research, the researcher collected data from 100 SLA drivers, 20 MTOs and 20 vehicles in charges in Sri Lanka Army. Data collections were mainly steered by administering a structured questionnaire, but secondary data have also been associated wherever necessary. Based on that, well designed methodology has been developed; out of that conceptual framework has been designed and operationalized to identify the key areas to question from the sample populations. The collected data have been analyzed through Microsoft excel, SPSS 20 and Gretel econometrics software and selected hypothesis was tested and proven with the level of significance. In this research, the researcher found that there is a positive correlation exists between military oriented attitude of SLA drivers and increased vehicle accidents in Sri Lanka Army. As conclusion remarks, the researcher highlighted the need of involvement of higher authorities in formulating solid policies in this regard. Finally, the research proposed many valuable recommendations to minimize or arrest vehicle accidents in Sri Lanka Army.