WORKSHOP B

SESSION TWO

Presentation 1

Roadworthiness In Namibia

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NAMIBIA

Population: 2,1 Million
Location: South West of Africa

Vehicle Population: 300 000
Driver Population: 250 000

Annual Vehicle Population Growth Rate: 8.32%
Annual Driver Population Growth Rate: 6%

OUTLINE

- Overview: Ministry of Works and Transport
- Overview: Roads Authority
- Overview: Division: Transport information and Regulatory Services
- Tools
- Vehicle and Driver Testing Centre's
- eNaTIS
- Roadworthy Testing
- Future of Roadworthy Testing in Namibia
- Law enforcement

OVERVIEW

MINISTRY OF WORKS AND TRANSPORT

- Responsible for enabling legislation and regulation of Vehicle and Driver Testing and Vehicle Registration and Licensing.

- Assigned the function to the Roads Authority.

ROADS AUTHORITY

- Core Function - Management of National Road Network

- Functions assigned to it by MWT
  - Management of the vehicle and driver testing function in the country.
  - Management of the National Register for motor vehicles and drivers
  - Overload Control

Division: Transport Information and Regulatory Services

Mission:

To regulate Road Transport, Vehicle and Driver Testing and Licensing for quality mobility and road safety.

Key Functional Areas

- Regulate vehicle registration, licensing and roadworthy testing
- Regulate driver testing and licensing
- Manage Registering Authorities
- Administer Namibian Traffic Information System
- Regulate National and Cross-Border Road Transportation

TOOLS

- Enabling Legislation
  - Road Traffic and Transport Act (Act 22 of 1999)
  - Road Traffic and Transport Regulations, 2001

- National Register for Vehicles and Drivers
  - Namibian Traffic Information System (eNaTIS)

- Standards
  - South African Bureau of Standards Codes (SABS) for vehicle testing
  - Driver Testing Manual
  - Standard Operating Procedure Manuals

VEHICLE AND DRIVER TESTING CENTRES

- 33 Registering Authorities

- 21 approved for vehicle and driver testing and licensing

- 12 are for vehicle registration and licence renewals only

- Local Authorities are involved in the operating of registering authorities and TI&RS manage the agreements

- No Private Testing Stations in Namibia

eNaTIS

- **National Register for Vehicles and Drivers**

  - Vehicle Testing, Registration & Licensing
  - Driver Testing and Licensing
  - Operator Registration and Licensing
  - Infrastructure Registration
  - Registration of Manufacturers, Importers and Builders

Private Vehicles

Currently, no periodic testing, only upon change of ownership.

Annual Testing: Road Traffic Quality Systems Vehicles

- Buses
- Motor vehicles with GVM over 3500kg
- Vehicles with seating capacity of 12 + passengers
- Public Passenger Transport Vehicles (Passengers for reward)

- **Main Focus areas**
    - Verify vehicle Identifiers
    - Tyres & braking systems
    - Fittings and equipment
    - Electrical systems
    - Suspension
    - Wheel Alignment
    - Engine
    - Steering mechanisms
    - Reflectors, indicators & lights
    - Windscreens (obstructing sight)
    - Overall vehicle dimensions (length, width, hight, positioning of seats)

ROADWORTHY TESTING

- **Equipment**
  - Brake testers
  - Scuff Gauges
  - Hydraulic Axle Play-wear Detector
  - Headlamp Tester
  - Calibration systems

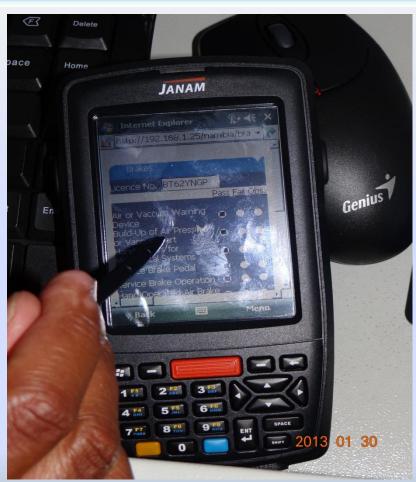Brake Roller Tester
Display Unit

Testing equipment enhancements

– Camera integration with vehicle testing equipment for proof that the vehicle was tested.

– Exploring the integration of handheld devices for the testing of vehicles

– Test equipment upgrade (Replace hydraulic with electronic components)

– Continuous calibration of testing equipment

CHALLENGES

- Funding for additional testing centers
- Upgrading existing ones
- Corruption in vehicle, driver testing and licensing

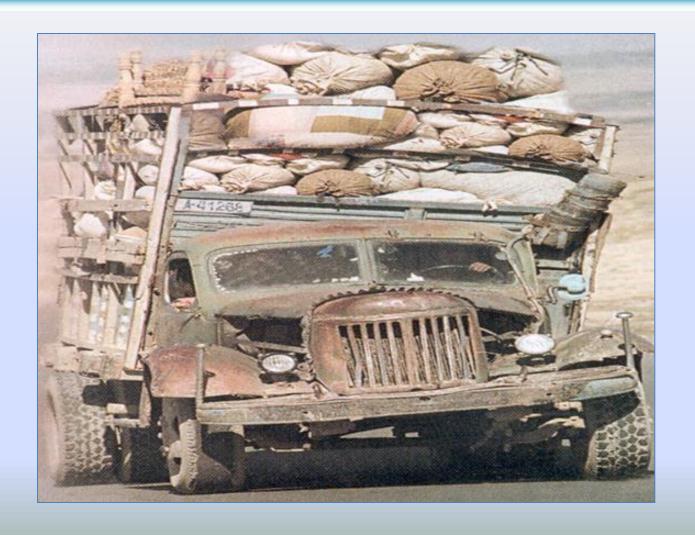# Challenges & Solutions: Operations

Fraud & Corruption

- CCTV Camera and Access Control System deployment

- Integrated vehicle testing camera solution

- Liaise with the Police, ACC and RA to expose corrupt officials.

- Carry out regular inspections (Internal & External Audits)

Thank You!