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CATEGORY Parking Regulation

Introduction

In India, there are NO standards for parking lots. As a result, disciplined parking of vehicles in parking lots is restricted to the individual's good-sense. While some cars get parked horizontal to the road, others prefer to slide-in their cars at an angle to the main road so that it is easy to pull-in and pull-out the car.

Existing Status

Parking lots are not marked with an expected pattern of behavior from car drivers; as a result there is a lot of variation in the final outcome!

Proposed Improvement

A standard either horizontal or angle parking must be evolved based on congestion studies and the width of roads. While 'main-roads' are broad enough to permit a horizontal parking like in the picture from Malaysia, 'narrower-cross-roads' must evolve a 45-degrees angle-to-the-curb parking like in most advanced countries like the United States.





HORIZONTAL PARKING ON A MAIN ROAD IN MALAYSIA



Brief Implementation Strategy

Pilots of both horizontal parking on main roads and 45-degree parking on cross roads must be tried prior to standardization and large scale deployment. Ensure that parking tests for both horizontal and 45-degree angle parking are mandated during the issue of driver's license.

Support Requirements

Governmental regulation and legislation if required, to amend the necessary transportation laws on standardizing the parking system.

Case Studies

Followed throughout in many developed countries with no exception.

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