

DRIVING SAFETY EDUCATION FOR BUS DRIVERS DURING CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR 2023-2024 AT MENGWI TERMINAL

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ABSTRACT

Traffic and Road Transport Safety is a condition where everyone is protected from the risk of accidents during traffic caused by humans, road vehicles and/or the environment. The importance of safety when driving must be a common awareness of both the general public, drivers, operators and the government. Mengwi Terminal is the only Type A terminal in Bali Province which is located on the Mengwi-Mengwitani road, Mengwitani Village, Mengwi District, Badung Regency. Mengwi Terminal is a center for public transportation activities, especially inter-city, inter-provincial (AKAP) transportation routes. The aim of this Community Service in the form of counseling on driving safety for bus drivers is to provide information and advice to bus drivers so that driving is safer, namely driving the vehicle carefully, maintaining a safe distance, not using a mobile phone (HP) while driving, get enough rest, speed at safe limits or in accordance with the information on the signs, use a safety belt and always ensure that the vehicle is in a roadworthy condition. Counseling is carried out directly by conveying driving safety issues to several bus drivers operating at the Mengwi Terminal. This outreach activity was successfully carried out with the delivery of information and advice regarding driving safety to bus drivers at several operating bus companies.

Keywords: bus driver; driving safety; transportation

INTRODUCTION

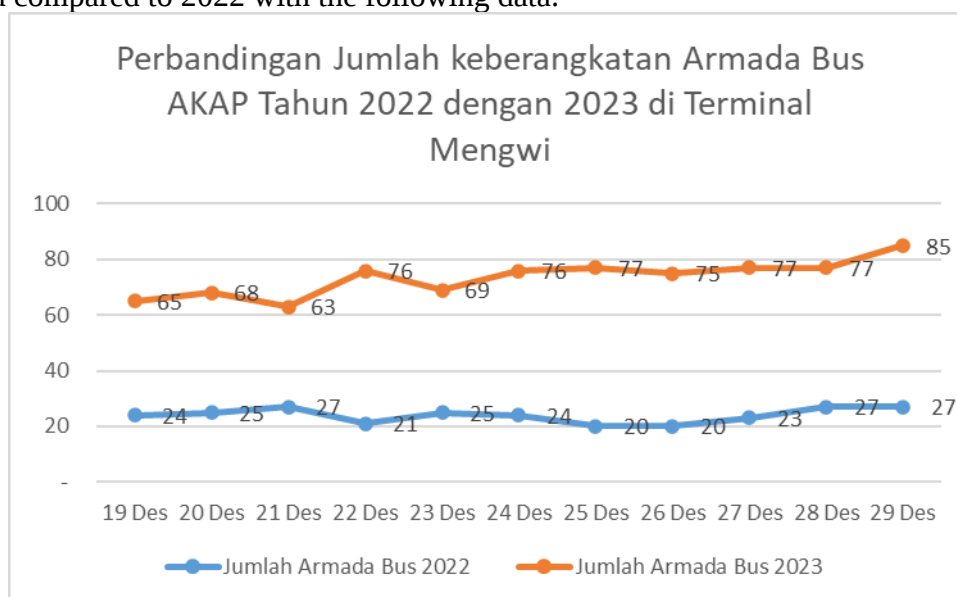
The high number of traffic accidents that occur and tends to increase from 2021 to 2022 is published by the Central Statistics Agency where the number in Bali province in 2021 is 1,981 and in 2022 it will increase by 3,706, this requires special attention to be more careful - Be careful and always alert when driving. The causes of traffic accidents in Indonesia are caused by several things. According to the records of the National Police Traffic Corps, the majority or 61% of accidents are caused by human factors or human error, such as problems with the driver's incompetence/skills and the driver's character, for example negligent, lazy, reckless, careless, and so on (<https://goodstats.id>). Safety based on Law no. 22 of 2009 article 1 paragraph (31) states that road traffic and transportation safety is a condition where everyone is protected from the risk of accidents during traffic caused by humans, road vehicles and/or the environment.

The importance of safety in driving must be a common awareness of the general public, drivers, operators and also the government. The increase in the number of traffic accidents cannot be separated from the high level of community mobilization which is increasingly diverse with various choices of available modes of transportation, both using private cars and public transportation. Public transportation in the form of Inter-City Inter-Provincial Buses (AKAP) is still the people's favorite choice when traveling, of course to provide a sense of security and comfort when using AKAP transportation, supporting facilities and competent drivers are needed.

Drivers have a very important role in transportation so that a driver must comply with the applicable rules as stated in Law 22 of 2009 concerning Road Transport Traffic, one of which is that every person who drives a motorized vehicle on the road is obliged to drive his vehicle reasonably and fully. concentration. According to Kircher & Andersson (2013) drivers must bear part of their responsibility by adhering to traffic rules so that they can help improve

driving safety. According to Hoare (2007) safety driving behavior is influenced by a number of variables, such as optimism bias, age differences, gender differences, driving experience, exposure to or flying hours, and seat belt use. At the end of every year, the Christmas and New Year (Nataru) holidays are moments that people often use to travel, such as holidays, returning home or other activities, so that at this moment the number of trips becomes quite high. A Ministry of Transportation (Kemenhub) survey estimates that around 107.63 million people will travel for the 2023-2024 Christmas holidays. This means an increase of 143 percent compared to trips on normal days (<https://www.rri.co.id>).

The Bali Land Transportation Polytechnic (Poltrada Bali) has an obligation to implement the Tri Dharma of Higher Education, one of which is Community Service (PKM) activities. The Bali Police during the 2023-2024 Christmas holidays carry out Driving Safety Counseling for Bus Transport Drivers in order to support transportation safety and achieving a reduction in the number of traffic accidents. Mengwi Terminal is the only type A terminal in the province of Bali which is located on the Mengwi-Mengwitani road, Mengwitani Village, Mengwi District, Badung Regency. This terminal serves inter-city, inter-provincial (AKAP) transportation routes, so that this terminal becomes a transportation service center where public transportation companies, especially AKAP, carry out transportation service operations. There are 32 bus companies operating at the Mengwi Terminal which serve several routes outside Bali, such as to the NTB, East Java, Central Java, DIY, West Java, DKI and Banten areas. The increase in the number of bus departures from the Mengwi Terpatu terminal has increased compared to 2022 with the following data:



METHOD

Community service activities in the form of providing information on Driving Safety for Bus Transport Drivers are carried out directly to bus drivers who are met at the Mengwi terminal. Activities will be carried out on 21 and 29 December 2023 at the Mengwi Type A terminal on Jalan Mengwi-Mengwitani, Mengwitani Village, Mengwi District, Badung Regency. The steps for this extension activity are team formation, formulation of objectives, preparation of extension materials, implementation of extension, and evaluation. Formation of a community service committee team providing information on driving safety for bus drivers during Christmas 2023 and towards New Year 2024 at the Mengwi terminal in accordance with the

Decree of the Director of the Bali Regional Police. The aim of this activity is to provide information and advice to bus drivers, especially AKAP bus drivers, so that when driving they can practice safe driving by implementing practices such as driving the vehicle carefully, maintaining a safe distance, not using a mobile phone (HP) while driving, get enough rest, speed at a safe limit or in accordance with the information on the signs, use a safety belt and always ensure that the vehicle is in a roadworthy condition. The hope is that by carrying out this outreach activity, drivers can always obey traffic rules, always be careful and alert. so that you can avoid accidents that might occur.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Community Service: Driving Safety Education for Bus Transport Drivers during the Christmas and New Year 2023-2024 at the Mengwi Terminal as a form of contribution from the Bali Regional Police to the community in order to support transportation safety and achieve a reduction in the number of traffic accidents, with the following activity results:

1. Preparation Stage

The preparation stage was carried out in coordination with related parties, namely the Bali Class II Land Transportation Management Center (BPTD) as the manager of the Mengwi Terminal Type A terminal and also the Badung Regency Transportation Service considering that the location of the Mengwi terminal itself is in Badung Regency. The next stage is briefing the cadets regarding the technical counseling that will be carried out. The counseling will be carried out for 2 days, namely December 21 2023 as consideration for the peak of the trip in the context of the Christmas holidays, while December 29 2023 is in the context of the 2024 New Year holiday. Technical delivery of counseling by monitoring movements the bus first, when it is parked, the cadets can directly approach the bus driver at the Mengwi Terminal without disturbing the activities of the driver concerned and then provide counseling regarding information and advice about driving safety.

2. Implementation Stage

The implementation of driving safety education activities for Bus drivers will be carried out on 21 and 29 December 2023 at the Mengwi Terminal Type A Terminal. The results of the activities are: Cadets monitor the movement of buses that are ready to transport prospective passengers who are parked in the place determined by the terminal management then approach the bus drivers who are waiting for departure time at Mengwi Terminal Type A Terminal, by first ensuring that they do not interfere with the driver's activities, then the aim and objectives of the activity are conveyed, the company data for each driver is conveyed, then general information for the target of counseling is conveyed, then in terms of driving safety, matters in the form of information and advice are conveyed, among others, as follows:

- a. To obey signs and markings
- b. Don't use a cellphone while driving
- c. Maintain a safe distance between vehicles
- d. Use a safety belt
- e. Set vehicle speed to a safe limit according to road conditions
- f. Get enough rest and change drivers after 4 hours of driving
- g. Ensure vehicle roadworthiness



Figure 1. Delivery of Counseling to PO Bus Drivers. M Trans



Figure 2. Delivery of Counseling to PO Bus Drivers. Kramatdjati



Figure 3. Delivery of Counseling to PO Bus Drivers. Kismo Honey

CONCLUSION

Community service activities in the form of Driving Safety Counseling for Bus Transport Drivers in order to provide information and advice to bus drivers for safer driving have been successfully implemented. The implementation of this outreach activity was able to run thanks to the support of all the lecturers, cadets involved and support from the Bali Regional

Police, BPTD Class II Bali, Badung Transportation Agency and all AKAP Bus drivers who were willing to receive information and advice regarding driving safety.

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