The Recent Situation in Japan related to ICV

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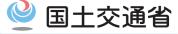
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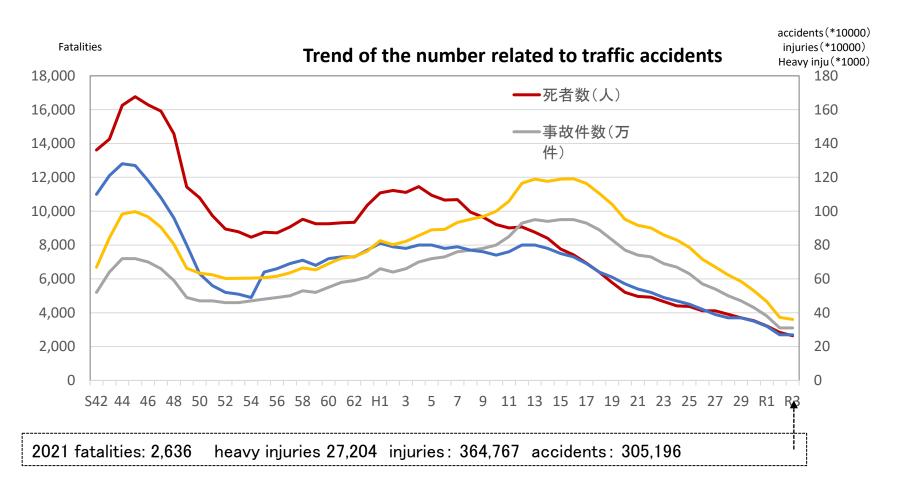
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Trend of traffic accidents in Japan

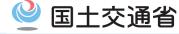


- O Several numbers of traffic accidents, such as fatalities, heavy injuries, are decreasing recently in Japan.
 - Such numbers became the least in our record.



Source: National Police Agency

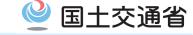
Our target for further reduction of traffic accidents



- O We revised our basic plan in March 2021 for further reduction of traffic accidents.
- O We set a target for reducing to under 2,000 of fatalities and 22,000 of heavy injuries by 2025.



International measures related to traffic safety



- The number of fatalities in Japan is reducing, but the fatalities in the world is still increasing.

 There are over 1.35 million fatalities a year in the world.
- O Japan wants to contribute for traffic safety in the world.

UN-WHO: 2nd Decade of Action for Road Safety

- The recent numbers of traffic accident are over 1.35 million of fatalities, 500 million of injuries. The 90% of them is from low and middle income countries. Traffic accident is one of the biggest reason of losing life of young persons, 5 to 29 years old.
- Considering such situation, UN decided to designate 2021-2030 as "2nd Decade of Action for Road Safety" in August of 2020.
- UN set a target to reduce fatalities and injuries to at least 50% during 2021-2030.

Global Plan for the Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020

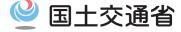
- - 3 Safer vehicles

- 4 Safer road users
- **5** Post-crash response

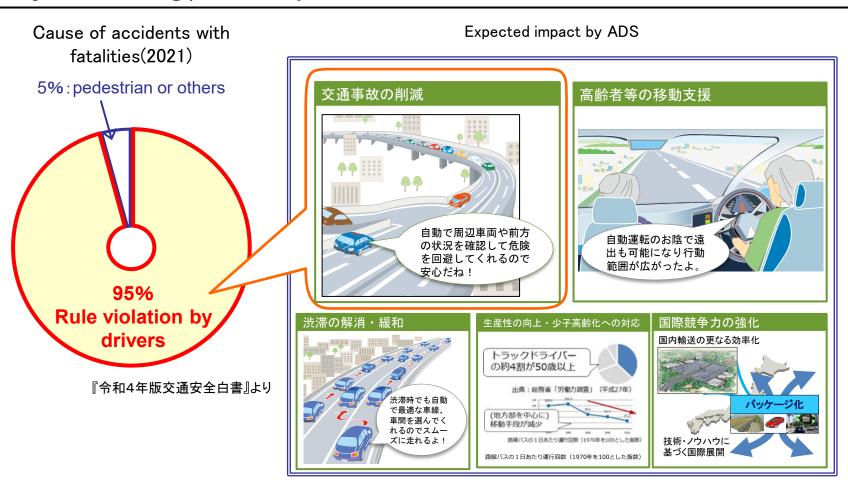
http://www.who.int/roadsafety/decade_of_action/plan/plan_english.pdf?ua=1

Source: UN-WHO

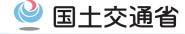
Expectation for ADS



- O 95% of all accidents with fatalities are caused by "rule violation by drivers"
- O We can expect ADS to prevent most of accidents caused by drivers violation.
- O In addition, ADS can give a big impact for helping the elderly transportation, mitigating traffic jam, enhancing productivity etc..



Japanese targets for ADS in the future

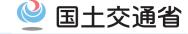


- O The government of Japan set targets and scenario related to ADS, in its strategy of "Public Private ITS Concept Road Map"
- O This Road Map describes some targets and scenario until 2025 for realizing high-level ADS.

(Out line of targets and scenario)

	Level	Expecting technology (example)	Target time for market			
Owner car	Level 2	Driving assist on city road	Until 2020			
	Level 3	ADS on highway	About 2020			
	Level 1,2	Enhanced system of driving assist	First half of 2020s			
	Level 4	ADS on highway	About 2025			
Cargo service		Truck platooning with user on highway	Until 2021			
Service	_	Truck platooning without user on highway	After 2022 f.y.			
	Level 4	ADS trucks on highway	After 2025			
Passenger service	Level 4	Passenger service by ADS without user in limited area	Until 2020			
	Level 2 or higher	ADS or Driving assist system of Bus/Coarch on highway	After 2022			

Some examples of ADS experiments in Japan



Bus with remote management or operation

国内初、大型バスの遠隔監視・操作による 自動運転を営業運行で実施する公道実証

〇主体: 相鉄バス、

群馬大学 等

〇場所: 神奈川県横浜市

〇時期: 2020年10月



※相鉄バスHPより

Experiment on BRT road

JR気仙沼線(廃線跡のBRT専用道) での、大型バスによる公道実証

〇主体: JR東日本、

先進モビリティ 等

〇場所: JR気仙沼線

〇時期: 2019年1月~



※JR東日本HPより

Middle size Bus

中型バスを使用した、地元運行 事業者による公道実証

〇主体: 産総研、

先進モビリティ等

〇場所: 全国5か所

(滋賀県大津市等)

〇時期: 2020年7月~

2021年3月

Vehicle without steering wheel

自動運転を前提に設計されたハンドル などがないバスの公道実証

〇主体: BOLDLY 等

〇場所: 東京都千代田区

茨城県境町 等

〇時期: 2019年7月~

※BOLDLY HPより

※2020年11月より茨城県境町において事業開始



Small cart

小型カートを用いた遠隔型自動運転システム の公道実証

〇主体: 産総研、先進モビリティ等

〇場所: 福井県永平寺町、

〇時期: 2017年12月~

沖縄県北谷町 等

※2020年12月より福井県永平寺町において、

2021年3月より沖縄県北谷町において事業開始

Taxi with 5G telecommunication

5Gを活用した自動運転タクシーの公道実証

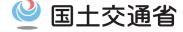
〇主体: ティアフォー 等

〇場所: 東京都新宿区 〇時期: 2020年11月、12月

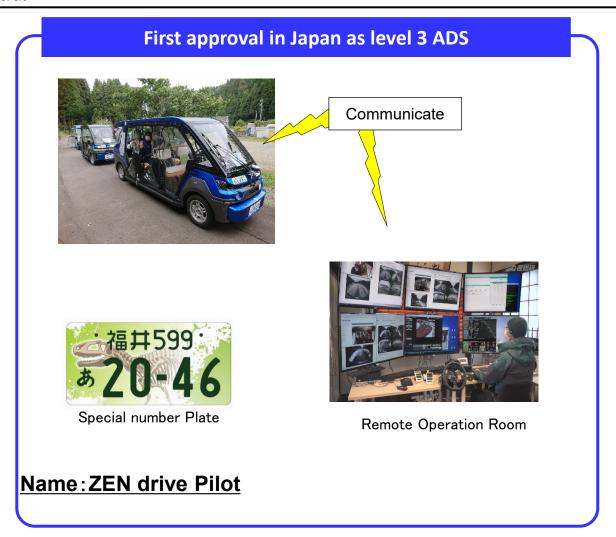


※ティアフォー HPより

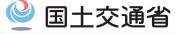
First approval of Level3 ADS in Fukui pref.



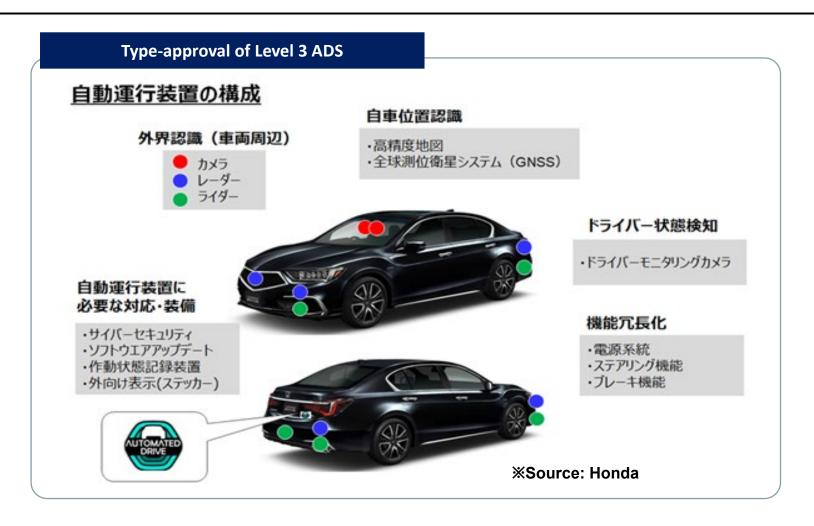
- OIn March 2021, we approved Level 3 for the vehicle using in the experiment in Eiheiji of Fukui pref.
- OThat ADS detects pedestrians, bicycles and objects, and goes following the electromagnetic wire buried in the road.



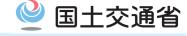
First type-approval level3 ADS



- O MLIT has made a guideline, national vehicle law, technical requirement, international regulation related to Level3 ADS.
- O In November 2020, we type-approved Level3 ADS. And that car stared to sold in March 2021.



Activity of international regulation of ADS

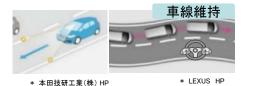


- O International harmonized requirement is essential part for realizing ADS. WP.29 is only one and the most important party for discussing international requirement of vehicle.
- O Japan has been contributing the activities in WP29.

International regulation related to ADS

Level 0, 1, 2

- AEBS
- Automated parking
- ADAS hands-on(LKAS/ACSF)



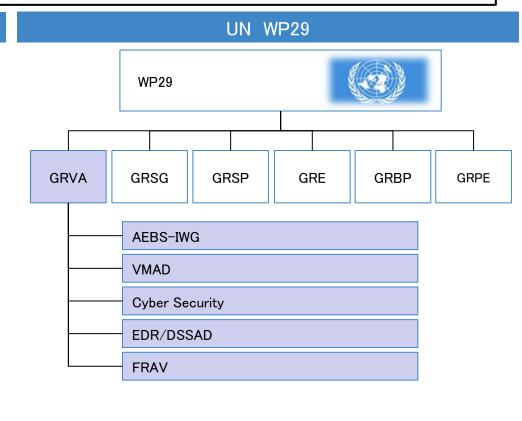




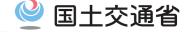
Level 3

[2020, June]

- ALKŚ (under 60km/h, within one late)
- [2021, Nov]
- Scope extension to all N and M 【2022, June】
- Max speed extension (under 130km/h)
- Lane change be permitted



Amendment of traffic law



O	The amendment	of traffic	law for	realizing	automated	driving	without	driver	was	adopted	in
	ast national Diet i	n Japan.									

We expect that automated driving can be achieved safely by collaborating hardware(vehicle) and software(operator).

Amendment of Traffic law

(1) Approval for driverless ADS

- Defining "driverless ADS" as automated driving without driver
- Service provider of driverless ADS shall be approved by local police agency

(2) Operator of driverless ADS

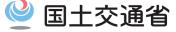
Operator of driverless ADS shall use ADS according to approved rule.
 (number and placement of remote operators, education for remote operators e.t.c.)

(3) Treatment in case ADS cannot manage

• Service provider shall treat incidents which ADS itself cannot manage, by remote operators

(4) Enforcement by authority

- Local police agency can indicate or cancel the approval in case service provider violated a rule.
- Head of police official can stop the approval in case accidents happened.



- O In Japan, we ask vehicle with level3 ADS to put a sticker on its backside, in order to inform surrounding traffic participants that this vehicle has ADS.
- OIt would be better to inform whether ADS is ON or OFF, rather than this vehicle has ADS or no
- OIn WP.29 as well, we are discussing the necessity and requirement of external HMI (light, audible device). I hope we can find a proper way for external HMI for securing traffic safety



Thank you for your attention.