

## Traffic Advisory for Republic Day

### Background

The Republic Day of India commemorates the date on which the Constitution of India came into force replacing the Government of India Act 1935 as the governing document of India on 26 January 1950. The 26th of January was chosen to honor the memory of the declaration of independence of 1930. A draft constitution was prepared by the committee and submitted to the Assembly on 4 November 1947. The Assembly met, in sessions open to public, for 166 days, spread over a period of 2 years, 11 months and 18 days before adopting the Constitution. After many deliberations and some modifications, the 308 members of the Assembly signed two hand-written copies of the document (one each in Hindi and English) on 24 January 1950. Two days later, the Constitution of India became the law of all the Indian lands. The Constitution of India was passed on 26 November 1949 at 1018IST, but it came into effect as a whole only on 26 January 1950.

To mark the importance of the occasion, every year a grand parade is held in the capital, New Delhi, from the Raisina Hill near the Rashtrapati Bhavan (President's Palace), along the Rajpath, past India Gate . Prior to its commencement, the Prime Minister lays a floral wreath at the *Amar Jawan Jyoti*, a memorial to unknown soldiers at the India Gate at one end of Rajpath, which is followed by two minutes silence in the memory of unknown soldiers. Thereafter, the Prime Minister reaches the main dais at Rajpath to join other dignitaries; subsequently the President arrives along with the chief guest of the occasion. First he unfurls the National flag as the National Anthem is played, and a 21-gun salute is given. Next, important awards like the Ashok Chakra and Kirti Chakra are given away by the President, before the regiments of Armed Forces start their march past.

The different regiments of the Indian Army, Navy, and Air Force march past in all their finery and official decorations. The President of India, who is the Commander-in-Chief of the Indian Armed Forces, takes the salute. Floats exhibiting the cultures of the various states and regions of India are in the grand parade, which is broadcast nationwide on television and radio. Also parts of the parade are children who win

the National Bravery Award for the year. The parade also includes other vibrant displays and floats and traditionally ends with a fly-past by the Indian Air Force jets

The main parade takes place in the national capital New Delhi at the Rajpath before the President. The anniversary is also celebrated with varying degrees of formality in state capitals and other centres

## **Traffic and Security arrangement- New Delhi**

Heightened security measures will be in place at major transport hubs, popular public spaces and major commercial establishments in city on the occasion of Republic Day.

Republic Day Parade shall start on 26 January 2012 at 0950IST from Vijay Chowk for Red Fort Grounds. There will be a related function at India Gate at 0900IST. In order to ensure free and uninterrupted movement of Parade along the route and to regulate city traffic, traffic police has made elaborate arrangements.

### **ROUTE OF THE PARADE:**

Vijay Chowk – Rajpath - India Gate - Tilak Marg - Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg – Netaji Subhash Marg - Red Fort.

## **Expected Traffic diversions and disruptions**

Area bounded by Kautilya Marg-Kamal Ataturk Marg-Aurangzeb Road-'Q'-point-Humayun Road-Subramaniam Bharti Marg-Mathura Road-Bhagwan Dass road-Feroze Road R/A Windsor Place-Ashoka Road-Baba Kharak Singh Marg-Mother Teresa Crescent and Sardar Patel Marg upto Kautilya Marg will be restricted area. Only labeled vehicles from 0600IST on 26 January 2012 of the invitees and vehicles of bonafide residents of this area shall be permitted to enter till conclusion of the Parade at about 1230IST. Invitees are requested to follow the routes and instructions printed on the back of label to reach the parking lots.

No vehicles will be allowed to ply on Rajpath after 1800IST on 25 January, 2012 till the closure of function on 26 January, 2012. No traffic will be allowed on Tilak Marg, B S Z Marg, Netaji Subhash Marg upto Red Fort after 0400IST on the Republic Day. The cross traffic on the route of the parade at Dr. Dineshnandini Dalmia Chowk (W. point) R.C. Agarwal Chowk (A Point), Delhi Gate and beyond will be allowed depending upon the progress of the parade. People can avoid journeys at the time of parade in the proximity of the parade route.

For movement in the city, following are suggested routes:

### **NORTH –SOUTH CORRIDOR:**

- Ring Road – Ashram Chowk – Sarai Kale Khan – I.P. Flyover – Rajghat – Ring Road
- From Aurobindo Chowk – Safdarjung Road – Kamal Ataturk Marg – Kautilya Marg – Sardar Patel Marg – Mother Teresa Crescent – roundabout RML – Baba Kharak Singh Marg etc.
- Prithvi Raj Road – Rajesh Pilot Marg – Subramanian Bharti Marg- Mathura Road etc.

### **EAST- WEST CORRIDOR:**

- Ring Road-Bhairon Road- Mathura Road – S. Bharti Marg – Rajesh Pilot Marg - Prithvi Raj Road- Safdarjung Road- Kamal Ataturk Marg- Panchsheel Marg- Simon Bolivar Marg- Upper Ridge Road.
- Ring Road-Bhairon Road- Mathura Road – Lodhi Road – Aurbindo Marg- Safdarjung Road – Teen Murti Marg –Mother Teresa Crescent- Park Street – Shankar Road – Ring Road.
- Ring Road- Boulevard Marg- Barf Khana Chowk – Rani Jhansi Road- Faiz Road – D.B.Gupta Road.

### **FOR NEW DELHI RAILWAY STATION:**

- **From South Delhi:**- Mother Teresa Crescent –R/A RML Hospital-Baba Kharak Singh Marg-Outer Circus Connaught Place-Chelmsford Road for Paharganj side or Minto Road- Bhavbhuti Marg for Ajmeri Gate.

- **From North Delhi**:- R/A Jhandewalan via Rani Jhansi Road- D. B. Gupta Road-Sheela Cinema Road - Paharganj.
- **From East Delhi**: Boulevard Road via ISBT Bridge - Rani Jhansi Road via Jhandewalan – D.B. Gupta Road-Sheela Cinema Road- Paharganj.

### **FOR OLD DELHI RAILWAY STATION (DELHI MAIN)**

- **From South Delhi**: Ring Road- Ashram Chowk-Sarai Kale Khan-Ring Road-Rajghat-Ring Road-Chowk Yamuna Bazar- S.P. Mukherjee Marg-Chhatta Rail-Kauria Bridge.
- **From North Delhi**: Boulevard Road- R/A Mori Gate-Pul Duffrin-S.P. Mukherjee Marg.

### **BUS TERMINATING POINTS:**

Movement of the City Bus Services will be curtailed at the following Terminal points;-

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|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Krishna Menon Marg            | 2. Tyagraj Marg                   |
| 3. Park Street/Udyan Marg        | 4. Aram Bagh Road (Pahar Ganj )   |
| 5. R/A Kamla Market.             | 6. Delhi Sachivalaya (IG Stadium) |
| 7. Pragati Maiden (Bhairon Road) | 8. Hanuman Mandir                 |
| 9. Nigam Bodh Ghat               | 10. Budh Vihar (ISBT)             |
| 11. Mori Gate                    | 12. ISBT Sarai Kale Khan          |

### **INTER STATE BUSES:**

- (I) Buses from Ghaziabad bound for Shivaji Stadium shall take NH-24, Ring Road.
- (II) All buses coming from Ghaziabad side will be diverted at Mohan Nagar towards Bhopra Chungi for Wazirabad Bridge.
- (III) All buses coming from Dhaula Kuan side shall terminate at Dhaula Kuan.
- (IV) All buses coming from Badarpur shall terminate at New ISBT Sarai Kale Khan.
- (V) All buses coming from NH-24 shall take right turn on Road No. 56 and terminate at ISBT Anand Vihar.

**METRO TRAIN:**

Metro Rail Service is available for commuters except between Rajiv Chowk and Jor Bagh not being available for boarding/de-boarding.

**Heavy Goods Vehicles/ Light Goods Vehicles:**

HGVs/LGVs will not be allowed between Sarai Kale Khan and I.S.B.T. on 26 January 2012 from 0730-1330IST.

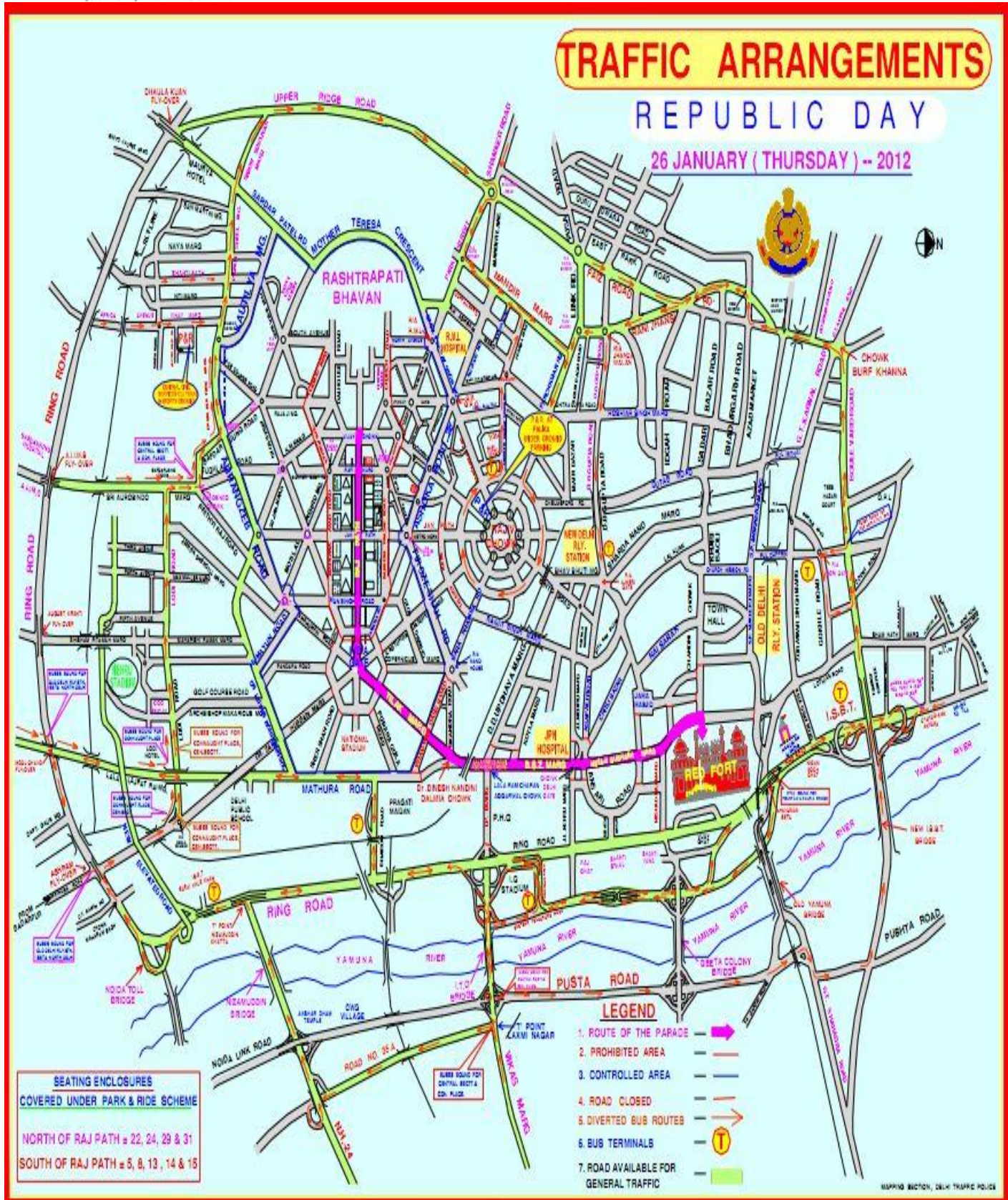
People are requested to plan their journey to avoid inconvenience.

Public transport is usually affected on 26 January 2012 as many locals travel for celebrations. Republic Day parades cause significant disruption to traffic and there may be increased security on this date, particularly in areas such as New Delhi and state capitals.

**Emergency Contact Numbers:**

Delhi Traffic Police: 011-25844444 & 9811452220

Delhi Police Control room: 100



## **Traffic and Security arrangements-Mumbai**

The Route march commencing from Shivaji Park Maidan would proceed along Keluskar road (North), Keluskar road, Gadkari Chowk, N.C.Kelkar road, Kotwal Garden, Tilak Bridge, Dadar T.T., Dr. B.A.Road, Ruia College Junction, Lady Jahangir Road to Five Gardens, Matunga. The Motorists are advised to avoid these between 0900-1200IST.

Informatory boards will be placed at various places. Traffic Police personnel will be posted to guide in order to ensure that least inconvenience is caused to the motorists. However, delays may be anticipated and journey be planned accordingly. The Mumbai Police will be deploying additional security personnel at Airports, railway stations, bus stands and various other public places ahead of the Republic Day. Traffic diversions may be carried out by police at short notice depending on the need of the hour. No traffic restrictions will be imposed in the city of Pune.

## **Expected Traffic diversions and disruptions**

Roads which will be closed for vehicular traffic between 0600-1200IST on 24 January 2012 for full dress rehearsal and from 0600-1200IST on 26 January 2012 in view of the Republic Day parade being held at Shivaji Park Maidan, Dadar, Mumbai are:

- 1) Keluskar Road from its junction with Lady Jamshedji Road to junction of Keluskar Road (South and North) shall be closed for vehicular traffic.
- 2) Keluskar Road (South) will be 'ONE WAY' from its junction with Veer Savarkar Road, to its junction with Keluskar Road (North) i.e. 'NO ENTRY' from Keluskar Road (North).
- 3) Keluskar Road (North) will be 'ONE WAY' from its junction with Keluskar Road (South) to its junction with Veer Savarkar Road, i.e. 'NO ENTRY' from Veer Savarkar Road.
- 4) S.K. Bole road will be one way from Siddhivinayak Junction up to Hanuman Temple i.e. No Entry from Hanuman Temple.

5) S.V.S. Marg from Siddhivinayak Junction upto Hinduja Hospital will be closed for Vehicular Traffic (Local residents can go upto Road No 5 i.e. Pandurang Naik Marg Junction from Hinduja Hospital & Sidhhivinayak Mandir Junction to Chaityabhoomi Junction)

6) S.V.S. Marg from Mahim Junction upto Sidhhivinayak Mandir junction will be closed for Vehicular Traffic.

7) Kataria Road will be closed for vehicular traffic from L.J. Road upto Hinduja Hospital.

Parking of vehicles will be not permitted on the following roads from 0600- 1200IST on 26 January 2012:

1. Keluskar Road (Main, South & North)
2. Shivaji Park, Road No.2
3. Lt. Dilip Gupte Marg from Keluskar road (North) to Pandurang Naik Marg.
4. Eastern Side of Veer Savarkar Marg from Pandurang Naik Marg to Ranade Road.
5. N.C.Kelkar road from Gadkari Chowk to Kotwal Garden.
6. Tilak Bridge
7. Dr. B.A. Road from Dadar T.T. to Ruia College junction.
8. Lady Jahangir Road from Ruia college junction to Five Gardens.

**Emergency Contact Numbers:**

Mumbai Info line:	1090
Police Control Room (Mumbai City):	022-22621855/ 22621983/ 22625020/ 22641449 / 22620111
Mumbai Traffic Helpline:	022-24937747

## Traffic and Security arrangement- Kolkata

Kolkata Traffic police official confirmed that the traffic police have released a traffic advisory for rehearsals for republic Day on 28th & 30th December, 2011 and 2nd, 4th, 7th, 8th, 11th, 14th, 15th, 17th, 20th, 22nd, 24th January 2012 and the Republic Day March Past on 26th January 2012. Kolkata Police will deploy additional security and traffic personnel at various public places including Airports, railway stations and bus stands on 26 January 2012.

### Expected Traffic diversions and disruptions

The following roads on the Kolkata Maidan and adjoining areas will be closed to vehicular traffic between 0500-0900IST or till the end of rehearsals:-

- a) Hospital Road East and west
- b) Hospital Road
- c) Lovers Lane
- d) Queensway
- e) Casuarina Avenue
- f) Plassey Gate Road
- g) Kidderpore Road
- h) Red Road
- i) Gosthapal Sarani, as and when considered necessary.
- j) Strand Road between Gosthapal Sarani and Napier Road, as and when considered necessary.
- k) R R Avenue (Southern flank) between Govt Place East and Govt Place West, as and when considered necessary.

- 2) AJC Bose Road between Kidderpore Road and D L Khan Road is also likely to be closed to vehicular traffic especially during the period when Military personnel and vehicles will be brought to the Assembly Point.
- 3) Tram services along Kidderpore Road will be suspended from 0500-0900IST and /or till the rehearsal is over according to the direction of traffic police on duty.
- 4) No goods vehicles will be allowed to ply or stay on St Georges Gate Road, Strand Road and approach roads to the venue of the parade during the journey of military personnel and vehicles to and from the parade venue.
- 5) BBD Bag and office bound traffic will be diverted in the following manner:
  - i) Those along Alipore Road and Belvedere Road via Zeerut Bridge and/or coming along D L Khan Road towards AJC Bose Road will be diverted along AJC Bose Road, St Georges Gate Road, Strand Road, Gosthapal Sarani / Kshudiram Bose Road, Govt Place (west) and onwards.
  - ii) Those along Harish Mukherjee Road will be diverted via Cathedral Road, J L Nehru Road, Guru Nanak Sarani onwards.
- 6) South bound vehicles of Red Road coming from Howrah side may be diverted through Esplanade Row (East) / R R Avenue, J L Nehru Road / Mayo Road, Dufferin Road / Kingsway, Strand Road, etc.
- 7) Vehicular traffic may also be diverted from any of the arterial roads and feeder roads by the traffic police on duty as and when considered necessary in the interest of the public on the aforesaid dates mentioned above.

**Emergency Contact Numbers:**

Kolkata Traffic Police control room:	09163360404\09163360405
Kolkata Police control room:	033- 22143024\033- 22143230

## **Traffic and Security arrangement- Bangalore**

Bangalore traffic police Assistant Commissioner confirmed that traffic restrictions will be imposed on Cubbon Road on 26 January 2012 from 0830-0900IST. No vehicular movement will be allowed during the traffic restrictions. He also confirmed that additional security and traffic personnel will be deployed at airports, bus stand, railway stations and various public places in order to maintain effective and efficient vigilance.

### **Emergency Contact Numbers:**

Bangalore Traffic Police control room: 080-22942675\080-22943030\09480801828

Bangalore Police Cambridge Road police station: 080- 22942440

### **Advice to Readers**

Travelling may need to be planned with alternative destination routes, as traffic disruptions may be expected in vicinity of all major public places in the cities. Caution is advised against pickpockets in crowded places as well as street vendors who run many scams to loot innocent tourists. Traffic diversions may be carried out by police at short notice depending on the need of the hour so additional time should be catered for while traveling to the airport or business destinations.

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