

Report writing (Newspaper Report)

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Police Crack Down on Mobile Phone Use While Driving

By a News Reporter

The Margao Traffic Police have launched a special drive against motorists using mobile phones while driving, leading to a sharp rise in road accidents across the city. According to traffic officials, several cases have been reported where drivers were found texting or attending calls without using hands-free devices, thereby endangering pedestrians and other commuters. It was revealed that nearly 40 percent of minor accidents reported in the past six months were linked to distracted driving due to mobile phone usage. In just one week, more than 250 motorists were fined for violating traffic norms.

Concerned citizens have urged the traffic authorities and the Directorate of Transport to strengthen monitoring at major junctions and highways to prevent such violations. The traffic police stated that using a mobile phone while driving is a punishable offence under the relevant provisions of the Motor Vehicles Act, and strict action will continue against offenders to ensure road safety.