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ABSTRACT

Traffic congestion can be identified as a manifesting critical problem that can be seen in urban areas around the world. It generates huge negative impacts on the urban environment. Sri Lankan statistics prove that many people in Sri Lanka spend more time on the road and they pay more for fuel. Currently, the vehicle amounts are rapidly increasing and it causes to take more time to reach a destination. Therefore, the need for public transport system accessibility is accorded by developed and developing countries, due to one of the main critical issues of road traffic congestion in urban areas.

This research aims to develop a policy framework in order to reduce road traffic congestion and enhance the effective accessibility in public bus transport for the Sri Lankan community. This paper's object is to evaluate the implementation of prevailing policies to enhance the public transport and to develop a policy framework to reduce the negative impacts from growing private vehicle population to the public bus transportation system in Sri Lanka.

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