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Dear Editor,

We are pleased to submit the manuscript titled as “Road traffic injury surveillance in a low income country: translating numbers into action” in your respected journal. This article reflects upon the first attempt in Pakistan to establish a road traffic injury surveillance program in a major city, followed by a brief description of our experience in terms of initial successes, challenges, as well as impact or policy making and planning. You can see that this article is addressing policy/practices issues in public health and we have drafted it in a research article format.

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