

PRESS RELEASE

Revolutionizing Motor Insurance: IRCSL Together with the Insurance Industry Successfully Launched the Digital Motor Insurance Card



The Insurance Regulatory Commission of Sri Lanka (IRCSL), in collaboration with the Insurance Association of Sri Lanka (IASL) and with the Sri Lanka Police Dept., successfully launched the Digital Motor Insurance Card on 7th January 2026, marking a significant milestone in the country's motor insurance industry, digital governance, public security, and sustainability journey.

The official launch ceremony was held under the patronage of Hon. Ananda Wijepala - Minister of Public Security and Parliamentary Affairs, with the participation of Hon. Sunil Watagala - Deputy Minister of Public Security and Parliamentary Affairs, Mr. Ravi Senevirathne - Secretary to the Ministry of Public Security and Parliamentary Affairs, Mr. Priyantha Weerasooriya - Inspector General of Police, Dr. Ajith Raveendra De Mel - Chairman of the IRCSL, Mr. Lasitha Wimalaratne - President of IASL, Chief Executive Officers of insurance companies, senior officials of the Police Department, officials of IRCSL, telecommunication partners, representatives from the Ministry of Public Security and Parliamentary Affairs, media personnel, and other key stakeholders. The ceremony was held at the Ministry of Public Security and Parliamentary Affairs, Suhurupaya, Battaramulla.

The Digital Motor Insurance Card, Sri Lanka's first of its kind, represents a transformative step in modernizing the motor insurance ecosystem. The initiative aligns closely with the Government's national digitalization agenda and the "Go Green" policy framework by eliminating the need for physical plastic insurance cards. It introduces a secure, efficient, and environmentally responsible alternative for policyholders, insurers, and law enforcement authorities.

Policyholders and law enforcement authorities will soon be able to verify the validity of motor insurance policies through a dedicated verification system. Users can contact the call centers of insurance companies by dialing 2252 to use the IVR (Interactive Voice Response) method or access the USSD-based digital verification service by dialing #2252.

In conjunction with the launch, the Insurance Association of Sri Lanka, together with its thirteen (13) General Insurance member companies, formally granted 500 digital tablets to the Sri Lanka Police in support of the rollout of the new Accident Management System. This contribution reflects the insurance industry's strong commitment to enhancing road safety, supporting frontline officers, and strengthening the digital interface between law enforcement and insurers for the benefit of motorists nationwide.

The Chairman of the IRCSL, Dr. Ajith Raveendra De Mel, highlighted the key benefits of the initiative, emphasizing its contribution to environmental sustainability by eliminating the annual printing and distribution of millions of plastic motor insurance cards, thereby supporting national environmental conservation efforts.

Hon. Ananda Wijepala, Minister of Public Security and Parliamentary Affairs praised the launch of the Digital Motor Insurance Card as a landmark initiative for Sri Lanka's digital transformation and road safety efforts. They acknowledged the collaborative efforts of the IRCSL, the Insurance Association of Sri Lanka, and the insurance industry in introducing an innovative, eco-friendly solution that enhances verification efficiency, strengthens law enforcement capabilities, and contributes to public security. The Ministers thanked all stakeholders for their commitment and active participation, noting that this initiative reflects the Government's vision for a modern, sustainable, and digitally-enabled Sri Lanka.

Mr. Priyantha Weerasooriya, Inspector General of Police, highlighted the prevailing motor accident situation in Sri Lanka, underscoring the growing challenges in road safety. He emphasized the vital role of the insurance industry in safeguarding policyholders by providing financial protection, timely compensation, and essential support to accident victims, thereby contributing to social and economic stability.

The event also provided an opportunity for IRCSL to communicate the importance of the Optional Compensation Scheme (OCS) for third party victims of motor accidents to the Police Department, enabling officers to clearly convey the benefits of the scheme to accident victims and the public. In parallel, IRCSL handed over awareness posters on the Optional Compensation Scheme to the Police Department for distribution to all police stations nationwide. These posters will enhance public awareness and understanding of the scheme.

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