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Name of The Project	Effective Vehicles Database Management to Trace the Owners of Unclaimed Vehicles Lying in Police Stations
Category of Award Applying for	Best District level initiative in citizen-centric service delivery through ICT
Date of Launch	12-06-2013
Summary/Objective of the project	<p>Unclaimed vehicles with lots of dust and rust on them is a common sight in police station premises throughout India. These vehicles can be classified into four groups 1. Vehicles involved in Crime and seized by police 2. Vehicles involved in accident cases and seized by police. 3. Stolen vehicles recovered by police from thieves. 4. Vehicles abandoned by thieves or by drunkards. Many vehicles that are involved in crime and accident are not claimed back by owners because they do not have legitimate documents to prove their ownership. Often these vehicles are stolen vehicles which are purchased without any documentation and at very cheap rates. Stolen vehicles that have been recovered by police from thieves also lie in police stations. After recovery of vehicles officers often take less interest to know whether that vehicle is returned to the owner or not. Secondly the procedure to know the owner of vehicle is that one has to send the details of the vehicles to RTO and he in turn will send the RC book details. But often this process takes lots of time and many times the vehicle must have been brought and sold by three to four owners without updating the RC book. So it becomes difficult to track the last owner. In Mandya Districts 30 police stations there are about 1700 unclaimed vehicles. Three databases have been used in this project to trace the unclaimed vehicle to its owner. A)Data of Unclaimed Vehicles lying in police stations which includes information like registration number, engine number, chassis number, make and model of the vehicle. B)Data of all the stolen vehicles of Karnataka State. This data was taken from a program of National Crime Record Bureau called as Motor Vehicle Verification Counter that is available in each district SP office of Karnataka. C)Data of all registered vehicles in all RTO across India. This data was accessed by getting username and password of the website vahan.nic.in. A Software was developed with the help of three students of Computer Engineering Department of PES Engineering College, Mandya. In this software first two databases were matched for common value and we got result in format showing that the XYZ vehicle was stolen in which police station and it is lying unclaimed in which police station. For vehicles for which FIR could not be traced, the owner was traced with the help of website vahan.nic.in. The results were an eye opener. Vehicle stolen in one of the Police station limits of Mandya District was lying unclaimed in another police station of same Mandya district for years. Similarly many vehicles stolen in neighboring districts have been found lying unclaimed in Mandya District police stations. Till now 494 number of unclaimed vehicles are traced to their FIR and 121 vehicles have been returned to the concerned Police Stations to handover to the owners with due procedure. The number of vehicles traced and handed over will increase in coming days as the project implementation is still in progress. Such a good result is obtained with just one district data, if the entire state unclaimed vehicle data is fed into software the result will be even bigger. The software developed is already designed for the entire state. Now we need to work at Range level and then finally at State level. If successful, then the project can be implemented for national level too. It results in legitimate owner getting back his vehicle and our police stations getting cleaner. It is a big step towards improving appearance of police stations. Till now 494 FIR have been traced. All these vehicles will be returned to their legitimate owners. If owners have claimed the insurance, then the vehicles will be handed over to the insurance companies. There are chances of tracing even more number of FIR as the data of unclaimed vehicle collected from police stations may have some error while recording and updating in computer. That also we will recheck. In coming days it is planned to implement this project at range level. One more observation is that during night time when police check vehicles, the owners will say that documents are at home and they will pay fine of 300 Rs and simply go. Chances are there that it may be a stolen vehicle. Our system has database of 1,23,000 stolen vehicles of Karnataka State. If it is made available through android application through sms service to all police officers, then all that police officer has to do is to send a sms of registration number or engine number or chassis number of that vehicle, a server will automatically reply if that vehicle is stolen or not. This</p>
Beneficiary of the project	

application is also in pipeline in coming days to be part of this project. So the common man whose vehicle has been stolen and the police officers will be the beneficiaries of this project

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