Improving Road Safety of Tank Truck in Indonesia by Speed Limiter Installation

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Abstract. Indonesia has one of the highest number of fatalities caused by traffic accident. It is become main concern since last decades. Approximately of 10% fatalities is caused by tank truck accident, it recorded by PT. Pertamina Persero, Indonesia in 2015 that 17% and 20% tank truck accident is caused by over speed and fatigue, respectively. Therefore, over speed has become main factor the occurrence of tank truck accident. Main objective of this research is to install speed limiter on the tank truck in order to improve safety engineering system, decrease accident and to maintain engine performance. This research is conducted in Indonesia especially in Java-Bali route travel. Speed limiter is installed to the tank truck engine which completed by fuel cut-off solenoid to reduce the speed automatically when it exceeding the maximum speed that has been determined. From the result shows that top speed which performed by driver up to 133 km/h when tank truck uninstalled by speed limiter. Meanwhile, when speed limiter is installed to the tank truck, top speed locked at 70 km/h even though the driver want to speed up. It means that fuel cut-off system is very effective to lock the speed at 70 km/h and it shown the improvement up to 65%. The monitoring activities observed that the decreasing number of fatalities caused by tank truck accident become 7% as compared to last year of 17%. It can be found that the speed limiter coupled by speed recorder was very efficient to improve safety engineering system of the tank truck.

1 Introduction

Traffic accident is one of the causes of the death in Indonesia because based on report of Indonesia Police Departement that close to 31,234 fatalities cause by trafic accident and it means that there are 3-4 fatalities/hour \cite{1}. The rapid growth of vehicle and industrie will incerase the signifiant proportion differences between vehicle and capacity of road. The average annual vehicle growth from 1996 to 2006 of 20\% (Table 1) which may take a higher possibility in increasing road fatalities \cite{2}.

\begin{figure}
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\includegraphics[width=\textwidth]{figure1.png}
\caption{Percentage number victims by vehicle types \cite{2}}
\end{figure}

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\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|}
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Year & Total registered vehicle & Annual growth of total vehicle (\%) \\
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1996 & 14530095 & \\
1997 & 16821076 & 16 \\
1998 & 17644885 & 5 \\
1999 & 18224149 & 3 \\
2000 & 18975344 & 4 \\
2001 & 21201272 & 12 \\
2002 & 24671330 & 16 \\
2003 & 32774929 & 33 \\
2004 & 41986814 & 23 \\
2005 & 47654826 & 13 \\
2006 & 50102492 & 5 \\
\hline
\end{tabular}
\caption{Number of vehicle growth in Indonesia \cite{2}}
\end{table}

Figure 1 shows that fatalities caused by tank truck approximately of 10\% and it higher than buses, passenger car and pedestrian, even though motorcycle is the highest number of fatalities in Indonesia. Therefore, vehicle safety of tank truck is quite needed in order to reduce number of fatalities \cite{2}.

There many causes of tank truck accident such as fatigue, engine problems, over speed, attitude and external causes as shown in Figure 2. Fatigue and over speed contributes 20\% and 17\% of total tank truck

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accident. Therefore, it very needed to solve that problems to improve safety driving and reduce tank truck accident [3].

![Analysis of the causes of the incident](image)

**Figure 2** Several factor of tank truck accident

According to KLH (1999) [4], Constitution No. 22 (2009) [5] and Ministry of Transportation, Indonesia (2015) [6] issued the regulation of speed limit based on area which consists of maximum speed of 100 km/h in highway, 80 km/h in urban area, 50 km/h in centre of urban area and 30 km/h in residential area. Moreover, PT. Pertamina Persero (2013) [7] has issued the regulation that the maximum speed of the tank truck in highway is 70 km/h. This regulation was issued to reduce the accident rate. However there are many driver not obey that regulation. Therefore, installing the additional part in the engine to limit the speed is quite needed, which may reduce the accident rate. In this research initiate to develop new speed limiter which coupled by fuel cut-off solenoide to limit the speed by reducing supply fuel into the engine.

## 2 Methodology

### 2.1 Installation of speed limiter on the tank truck

Speed limiter is installed to the tank truck of PT. Pertamina Persero. It managed more than 6,000 tank truck scattered throughout Indonesia. This research focus on the Installation Jakarta Group (IjG) which located in Plumpang and they operates approximately 257 tank trucks with a various payload capacity from 16,000 to 40,000 liters.

### 2.2 Speed limiter installation

The modification of speed limiter installation has been done by improvement on electrical wire, which placed and connected with the engine. Speed limiter able to limit the speed at the certain speeds based on government regulation depending on the urban or highway speed. The speed limiter installation procedure is shown in Figure 3 and Figure 4 where it consists of buzzer, ECU, speed sensor, engine and speed limiter control box.

![Diagram Installation engine truck](image)

**Figure 3. Diagram Installation engine truck**

![Schematic diagram of speed limiter](image)

**Figure 4. Schematic diagram of speed limiter**

The working principle of the speed limiter mounted on the tank truck machine. When the vehicle speed exceeds of a specified speed limit, speed sensor at the transmission output will send signal frequency to accelerator pedal. it will be transformed into a voltage signal at IC program and voltage signal will be transformed into the comparators components, forwarded to relay and followed by sound a warning alarm buzzer. When the driver still perform additions speed, fuel cut-off solenoid will reduce the fuel consumption into the engine and it will reduce the speed/rpm to the normal speed. Meanwhile, when the driver is slow down the speed, the buzzer alarm will be stop and back to the normal speed.

### 2.3 Speed reduction test

The speed limiter is installed to the engine and it controlled and adapted by government regulation. Basic principle of speed limiter is performed when the tank truck in over speed and it wills automatically cut-off the fuel. It make a tank truck speed will be operated under top speed regulation. Schematic diagram of speed limiter is shown in Figure 5.
3 Speed Limiter Development

3.1. Tank truck without speed limiter

The monitoring activity has been conducted for 1 month on selected tank truck before installed speed limiter. The data is summarized in Table 2 that the highest speed is shown by tank truck with ID B 9511 UFU for 133 km/h and the lowest speed shown by tank truck ID B 9211 SEH for 122 km/h. That speed is out of the regulation which mean that the attitude of the driver is not appropriate with safety driving guideline and government regulation. It causes many things such as fatigue, stress, angry that can make unstable driving condition.

Table 2 Top speed of tank truck before installing speed limiter

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<td>B 9281 UU</td>
<td>Truck B3</td>
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3.2 Tank truck after installed by speed limiter

Speed of tank truck monitored before installed by speed limiter has references point in speed limiter requirement. Therefore, this research investigates the influence of the speed limiter in limiting speed, improving safety riding and reducing possibility of accident. Speed limiter is installed to the tank truck, which coupled by fuel cut-off solenoid, which can automatically lock the speed in top speed regulation. The driver cannot speed up of 70 km/h because it controlled by speed limiter. Therefore, highest speed of the tank truck is 70 km/h. It is detail listed in Table 3 and the average of speed is shown in the Figure 7.

Table 3 Top speed of the tank truck after installed by speed limiter

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After speed limiter is installed in selected tank truck, top speed has been locked by 70 km/h and average speed also decreased because the driver cannot speed up. Lowest average speed is performed by B9264 UU and B9211 SEH for 61 km/h and highest average speed is performed by B 9280 UU for 67.3 km/h. Therefore, the possibility of accident can be decreased because the driver in steady or relax condition. Top speed in adjusted by government regulation that the maximum speed for tank truck is 70 km/h in highway. Moreover, this system is purposed to the driver who able to full controlling speed of tank truck which led to safe driving could be performed by all drivers.

### 3.3 The improvement and analysis after install speed limiter

Speed limiter on the tank truck has monitored during 1 month and it can be used as references that the speed limiter is effective to control offer the speed and protect the performance of engine. Improvement is calculated from the comparison between average speeds of selected tank truck before and after installed by speed limiter shown in Figure 8. B 9263 UU shows the highest improvement for 65% and B 9211 SEH shows the lowest improvement for 56%. This data indicated that higher % improvement will increase percentage of safe driving has been performed by tank truck driver.

### 3.4 Report accident after installation speed limiter on the tank truck

Table 4 shows the number of incident which recorded by July 2016. There are several decreasing incident cases observed such as in over speed and environment for 7% and 0% as compared to last year (2015) report for 17% and 34%, respectively. Significant decrement number of incident is caused by speed limiter installation on the tank truck. Decreasing incident due to speed of the tank truck is limited by fuel cut off system. Therefore, the driver disable to speed up when the speed is on the top of regulation speed. When the buzzer is on indirectly influence to the concentration and alarm when the driver sleepy. Moreover, this product is very potential to applied in the tank truck in other country and it believed able to decrease the number of tank truck incident.

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<td>Fatigue</td>
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<td>Premature</td>
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<td>Total cases</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>46</td>
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### 4 Conclusion

The effectiveness of the speed limiter in reducing the speed and control the driver is shown by speed decrement after speed limiter installed to tank truck. It performed by fuel cut-off solenoide which installed to the speed limiter system. Highest speed before installed speed limiter is 133 km/h and after installed by speed limiter, to speed is locked at 70 km/h. It has adapted by government regulation regarding to the transportation law. From the data, it can be concluded that the speed limiter is very suitable to install in the tank truck to improve safe driving, protect the engine performance, and reduce an accident.

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