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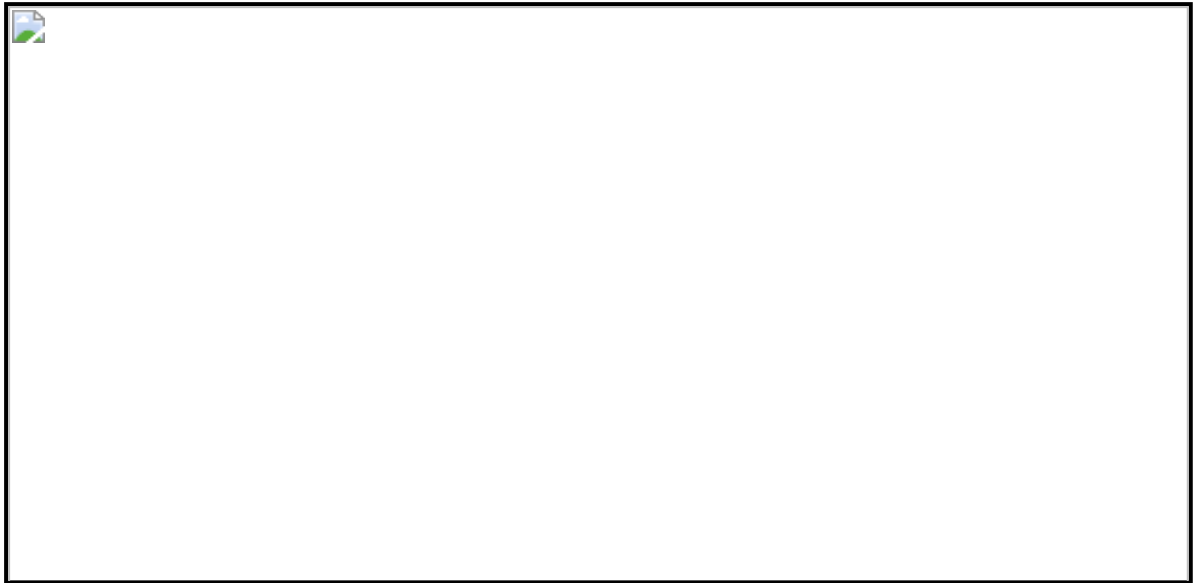
Date	Event
25 - 04 - 2014	Transport Ministry officials decide to share entire data stored in National Registry for Transport on the basis of Fast Lane’s proposal
15 - 09 -2014	Fast Lane sends Transport Ministry a letter saying NIC is ‘just an intermediary’ after it delays signing the contract
16 - 09 - 2014	Bulk Data Sharing contract is signed between the Ministry and Fast Lane. There is no auction for discovering market price of the data and Fast Lane gets exclusive access to public information. NIC is bypassed.
20 - 04 -2015	Fast Lane sends letter to Transport Ministry requesting Ministry to postpone the commencement of contract to 01/05/2015; says it hasn’t been able to leverage data for commercial use because of gaps in data

20 - 08 - 2015	NIC refuses to accept any fault in data sharing; objects against grant of any grace period to the company
03 - 09 -2015	Matter referred to Finance Wing for the first time. It flags issues of possible 'misuse of data' and 'price discovery'.
12 - 10 - 2015	JS & FA asks Ministry to explain basis for selection of Fast Lane for sharing bulk data and for the grant of grace period
02 - 11 - 2015	DS (MVL) raises an objection against granting the firm any grace period. JS (EIC) echoes the same concern.
24 - 11 - 2015	Transport Ministry overrules all these objections, decides to grant Fast Lane a grace period till 30/11/2015 for a contract which expired on 18/09/2015
17 - 02 - 2016	Transport Ministry asks NIC to cut off supply of data to Fast Lane over 'security issues' and 'data leakage possibilities'
2016-2019	Multiple meetings held to decide on procedure for sharing bulk data with interested entities

30 - 05 - 2018	Officials decide contract with Fast Lane be officially terminated
March 2019	Govt launches Bulk Data Sharing Policy.
04 - 06 - 2020	Govt rescinds Bulk Data Sharing Policy over 'privacy issues'
11 - 02 - 2021	Nitin Gadkari, in Parliament, says private firms who have accessed Vahan and Sarathi data will not be asked to delete it

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