During one of the Suhana Safar training programs, we met Monvir Singh, a truck driver at the Piyala Depot, Uttar Pradesh. An Uttar Pradesh native, Monvir has spent the last thirteen years working as a truck driver. Previously impressed by the knowledge he gained in the prior session, he returned to the Suhana Safar program to enhance his sector knowledge.

On October 8th, 2023, he attended the training for the third time. The session focused on comprehensive activity-based learning through various activities, including interaction with participants, videos on important traffic signals and blind spots, discussions on saving money, behavioral skills, maintaining a nutritious diet, first aid tips, CPR, financial literacy, Fast Tags, and government schemes. During interactions, many participants shared their long-distance travel stories and driving-related issues.

Describing his life story, Monvir shared that he grew up in a poor, rural family with a farmer father. Unable to pursue further studies due to his family’s financial condition, his dream of joining the army remained unfulfilled. He, however, completed his secondary school certificate. When asked about the benefits of his first Suhana Safar training, he mentioned learning about the Sukanya Samridhi Yojana. He subsequently visited his nearest bank, obtained complete information, and opened a Sukanya Samridhi Yojna account for the secure future of his two daughters. He also noted a positive change in his behavior, allowing him to remain calm and handle situations more effectively during his journeys.

In his own words, expressing his gratitude, Monvir said, "Such opportunities are hard to come by, especially for truck drivers like us."