DECISION OF REGIONAL TRANSPORT AUTHORITY, WAYANAD MEETING HELD ON 21.12.2021 AT 11.00 AM

Present:- 1. Smt. Geetha. A, IAS,
District Collector and Chairman,
Regional Transport Authority, Wayanad.

- Sri. Dr. Aravind Sukumar. IPS
 District Police Chief
 Wayanad and Member of
 Regional Transport Authority, Wayanad.
- 3. Sri. R. Rajeev
 Deputy Transport Commissioner,
 North Zone, Kozhikode and Member of
 Regional Transport Authority, Wayanad.

Item No. 1

Perused the Judgment of Hon'ble High Court in W.P(C) 10642/21 dtd 25/06/2021. Heard the applicant. This is an application for fresh regular permit to operate on the route Erumanathoor – Thalappuzha as ordinary Service. It is reported that the proposed route passes through less served areas of the district and the passengers, including students of rural areas, Erumanathoor, Alattil and Ayanikkal are benefitted by the introduction of service. Hence regular permit **granted** subject to settlement of timings. The grantee is directed to produce the current records within one month from the date of communication of the decision, failing which the grant of permit will be treated as revoked.

Item No. 2

Heard. This is an application for regular permit to operate on the route Mundakutty – Padingarathara – Mananthavady as ordinary service. It is reported by the field Officer that the overlapping of notified routes on the route does not exceed the permissible limit. It is also reported that the proposed route is almost through the ill served sectors and interior remote portion of tribal areas of Wayanad. Hence regular permit **granted** subject to settlement of timings. The grantee is directed to produce the current records of ready vehicles, within one month from the date of communication of the decision, failing which the grant of permit will be treated as revoked.

Heard. This is an application for regular permit to operate on the route Kalpetta – Venniodu – Chellamkode as ordinary service. The enquiry officer reported that this service is beneficial to the public in the remote places like puttad, Vaduvanchal, Valathoor, Kottathara, Venniyod and pallikunnu, 4 trips to DM Wims increases connectivity to-Hospital and this service is more beneficial to the travelling public, working class and students of less served areas and interior remote portions of tribes of Wayanad district. Hence regular permit **granted** subject to settlement of timings. The grantee is directed to produce the current records of vehicle within one month from the date of communication of decision, failing which the grant of permit will be treated as revoked.

Item No. 4

Heard. This is an application for regular permit to operate on the route Perumbadikunnu – Kalpetta – Venniyode as ordinary service. The enquiry officer reported that the service is beneficial to the public in the remote places like Perumbadikkunnu, Vaduvanchal, kottathara, veenniyode and pillikunnu, 4 trips to DM Wims will increase the connectivity to hospital and the proposed route is almost through ill served sector and interior remote portions of the district. This service will be more beneficial to working class, students and travelling public. Hence regular permit **granted** subject to settlement of timings. The grantee is directed to produce the current records of vehicle within one month from the date of communication of decision, failing which the grant of permit will be treated as revoked.

Item No. 5

1& 2. Heard. Perused the judgment of Hon'ble High Court in WP (C) No 17207/21 dated 26/08/21. This is an application for fresh regular permit on the route Pattavayal – Sulthan Bathery. KSRTC has submitted an objection stating that the termini – Pattavayal is within the state of Tamil Nadu and is an interstate route and RTA is not competent to grant interstate permits.

Field Officer has reported that this is an intra district route having route length of 18 Kms and the applicant intends to conduct service up to Kerala State Border only. The objection submitted by KSRTC is not sustainable. It is also reported that the proposed route in through less served areas of Wayanad district and interior remote tribal areas. Hence regular permit **granted** subject to settlement of timings. The grantee is directed to produce the current records of vehicle within one month from the date of communication of decision, failing which the grant of permit will be treated as revoked.

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Heard. This is an application for regular permit to operate on the route Seethamount – Pulpally – Sulthan Bathery as ordinary service. Field Officer has reported that the portion Pulpally – Kappiset-Valiyakurisu are ill served areas and introduction of service on the route will be beneficial to the travelling service.

Hence regular permit **granted** subject to settlement of timings. The grantee is directed to produce the current records of a ready vehicle, within one month from the date of communication of this decision, failing which the grant of permit will be treated as revoked.

Item No. 9

Heard. This is an application for variation of a trip by curtailing the portion from Beenachi to Eriapally (via) Kenichira and deviating that trip (via) Eriapally, Chethalayam. On perusal of the file, it is noticed that, by the proposed variation, the permit holder intends to change the existing departure time from Sulthan Bathery and Kalpetta. The route Sulthan Bathery – Kalpetta is a well served route, with stage carriages, including KSRTC, conducting service with little time gap. Secretary RTA shall conduct a detailed enquiry regarding the feasibility of the proposed time change and necessity of the variation under rule 145 (6) of KMV Rules. **Adjourned**.

Item No. 10

Heard. Renewal of permit granted subject to

- a. production of NOC from HP Company, if applicable.
- b. Clearance of dues to Govt, if any

Item No. 11

Heard. Renewal of permit granted subject to

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- b. Clearance of dues to Govt, if any

Item No. 12

Heard. Transfer of permit granted subject to

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- b. Clearance of dues to Govt, if any.

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Item No. 14

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Item No. 15.

Heard. Transfer of permit granted subject to

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- b. Clearance of dues to Govt, if any

Item No. 16.

Heard. Transfer of permit granted subject to

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Item No. 17

Heard. This is an item related to representation received from Permit holder of Auto rickshaws seeking variation of permit condition so as to allot parking place at Kalpetta Town.

Considered the request in detail. Chairman, Kalpetta Muncipality has informed that there is no possibility to allow further parking places to auto rickshaws since all the available parking places are fully occupied by existing permit holders. Kalpetta Muncipality being the primary authority in determining the location of parking place, has strongly recommended not to allow further parking places within Kalpetta Town. There is no scope to maintain a minimum distance of 1.5 metres beyond the tarred margin of the road for pedestrian traffic and the pedestrians are forced to travel through the tarred portion due to the parking of auto rickshaws, resulting in accidents. Hence the request is **rejected**.

Heard. Perused the Judgments of Hon'ble High Court. Considered the applications for variation of permit, so as to change4 the parking place to Mananthavady Town. The light application were considered individually and on merits. These are application for variation of permit, so as to change the parking place in the existing permit to Mananthavady Town. Secretary RTA had addressed the Secretary Mananthavady Muncipality to inform whether there are any vacant spaces so as to allot parking place. Secretary Mananthavady Muncipality has informed that it is not possible to provide any more parking permits in Mananthavady due to scarcity of parking place and all available parking places are fully utilized by existing permit holders. It is understood that there is no scope to allow further parking places in Mananthavady Town for auto rickshaws. Hence these applications are rejected.

Secretary RTA shall consider the report regarding the allotment of new auto rickshaw parking place in the out skirts of Mananthavady Town as informed by the Secretary Mananthavady Muncipality and submit before the authority if necessary.

Item No. 19

Heard. Perused the Judgments of Hon'ble High Court. Considered the application for variation of contract carriage permit.

Considered the 24 applications individually and on merits. These are applications for variation of permit, so as to allot the parking place in the existing permit at Sulthan Bathery town.

Muncipality to inform whether there are any vacant spaces so as to allot parking place. Secretary Sulthan Bathery Muncipality has informed that it is not possible to provide any more parking permits in Sulthan Bathery due to scarcity of parking place and all available parking places are fully utilized by existing permit holders. It is understood that there is no scope to allow further parking places in Sulthan Bathery Town for auto rickshaws. Hence these applications are **rejected**.

Heard. This is an item related to representation received from Secretary Nenmeni Grama Panchayath to stop issue of contract carriage permits to Auto rickshaws with parking place at Chulliyode Town.

Considered the request in detail, Secretary Nenmeni Grama Panchayath has informed that there is no possibility to allow further parking places to auto rickshaws at Chulliyode town, since all the available parking places are fully occupied by existing permit holders. Nenmeni Grama Panchayath being the primary authority in determining the location of parking place, has strongly recommended not to allow further parking places within Town and passed a resolution in this regard. There is no scope to maintain a minimum distance of 1.5 metres beyond the tarred margin of the road for pedestrian traffic and the pedestrians are forced to travel through the tarred portion due to the parking of auto rickshaws, resulting in accidents. Hence the request is considered and is **decided not to allow** further issue of permits to auto rickshaws with parking place at Chulliyode Town.

Item No. 21

Heard. Application granted subject to

- a. production of NOC from local Governing body and local police authority.
- b. Setting up of public comfort station.

Item No. 22.

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- b. Setting up of public comfort station.

Item No. 23.

Heard. Secretary RTA is directed to conduct a detailed enquiry and submit the report before the Road Safety Committee meeting for perusal and remarks. Any matter to be placed before RTA for approval shall be included in the agenda with detailed notes on the subject.

Item No. 24.

Ratified the actions taken by Secretary RTA that complied the provision of MV Act and Rules.

Item No. 25.

Nil

Item No. 26.

Will be intimated later.

Supplementary Item No 1

1&2. Heard. Perused the judgment of Hon'ble High Court in WP(C) 5712/2021. Heard. This is an application for regular permit to operate on the route Pulpally – Kalpetta – Sulthan Bathery. It is reported that the portion of the route from Kenichira to Pulpally is ill served and introduction of this service will be beneficial to travelling public from Pulpally to Kapetta. Hence regular permit **granted** subject to settlement of timings. The grantee is directed to produce the current records within one month from the date of communication of the decision, failing which the grant of permit will be treated as revoked.

Supplementary Item No. 2

1&2. Heard. Perused the judgment of Hon'ble High Court in WP(C) 5963/2020 dtd 14/07/2021. This is an application for regular permit on the route Mananthavady –Pulpally – Indiranagar – Kalpetta. It is reported that the proposed route connects the ill served areas Indira Nagar to Pulpally and the travelling public of Mullankolly and Pulpally grama Panchayath is benefitted by the introduction of this service. Hence regular permit **granted** subject to settlement of timings. The grantee is directed to produce the current records of the vehicle within one month from the date of communication of the decision, failing which the grant of permit will be treated as revoked.

Supplementary Item No. 3

1&2. Heard. Perused the judgment of Hon'ble High Court in WP(C) 5935/2020. This is an application for regular permit on the route Indiranagar – Kalpetta – Sulthan Bathery. It is reported that the introduction of this service is beneficial to the passengers from Pulpally -, Kenichira and meenangadi and the proposed route connects ill served area Pulpally, Kenichira and Kariambady to Kalpetta. Hence regular permit **granted** subject to settlement of timings. The grantee is directed to produce the current records of the vehicle within one month from the date of communication of the decision, failing which the grant of permit will be treated as revoked.

Supplementary Item No 4

1&2. Heard. Perused the judgment of Hon'ble High Court in WP(C) 5742/2020. This is an application for regular permit to operate on the route Indiranagar – Kalpetta. It is reported that the proposed route passes through the ill served areas of Mullankully, Rilpathy, Puthady and Muthil Panchayaths. Hence regular permit **granted** subject to settlement of timings. The grantee is directed to produce the current records of the vehicle within one month from the date of communication of the decision, failing which the grant of permit will be treated as revoked.

Supplementary Item No. 5

Heard. Reconsidered the application for regular variation of permit on the route Vadakkanad School- Sulthan Bathery- Valluvady – pallivayal. Variation involves curtailment of the portion from Kuppadi to Pallivayal and introduction of one additional trip from Valluvadi to Vadakkanada school. On Perusal of the report furnished by the field officer, as directed by RTA, it is understood that there is no violation of any notified schemes. It is reported that the curtailed portion is a well served area and the curtailment will not affect the travelling public. The proposed additional trip is beneficial to the passengers from Sulthan Bathery to Vadakkanad School. Hence **variation granted**, subject to settlement of timings.

Supplementary Item No. 6

1&2. Heard. This is an application for condonation of delay in submitting current records for obtaining variation of permit by curtailing the portion from Kannur to Parassinikadavu. So as to restrict the route length below 140 Kms. Considered the application for renewal of permit also.

Draft proposal regarding the passenger Road Transport Scheme is pending for finalization. Hence the decision on these applications are adjourned. Application shall be placed before the RTA on finalization of the draft scheme and the above application shall be considered as per the terms and conditions of final scheme.

Secretary RTA may consider application for temporary permit under section 87 (1) (d) of MV act, so as to operate on the route Thaloor -Parassinikadavu without change in the existing timings between Thaloor-Parassinikadavu

Supplementary Item No. 7

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- a. Production of NOC from HP Company, if applicable.
- b. Clearance of dues to Govt, if any.

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