

Circular No. 14/2013

Sub:- Motor Vehicles Department– Registration of Camper Van/Caravan – Levy of road tax –uniformity – Reg.-

Ref:- U.O.Note dated 05/06/2013 of the Joint Transport Commissioner (Enforcement).

Many vehicles are registered as Camper Van/Caravan in this State. But there is no uniformity in the levy of road tax since the tax schedule does not prescribe specifically the rate of tax for the above type of vehicles. Therefore to maintain uniformity in collection of tax in respect of Camper Van/Caravan the following instructions are issued, till separate rate of tax is specified.

As per notification of the Government of India issued in No.S.O.1248(E) dated 05/11/2004 the 'Camper Van' means a special purpose M1 category vehicle constructed to include living accommodation. As per the definition given in the Rule 2(l) of the CMV Rules, 1989, 'M1' category means a motor vehicle used for carriage of passengers and their luggage comprising not more than eight seats in addition to the driver's seat. The Camper Van/Caravan Vehicles can be registered under both Transport category and Non-Transport category as per the above notification depending upon the use of the vehicle.

If the Camper Van/Caravan vehicles are registered under the NTV category, life time tax at the rate prescribed for 'Private Service vehicle for personnel use' in Annexure-I of the tax schedule shall be levied.

If the Camper Van/Camping Trailer is registered under transport vehicle category, it should be covered by a contract carriage permit under section 74 of the Motor Vehicles Act 1988. Further, the seating capacity of these vehicles is up to 8 seats excluding the driver seat. Hence tax shall be collected under the item 7(i) d of the tax schedule.

The circular is effective with effect from 01.07.2013.

Sd/-
Transport Commissioner

To
All Deputy Transport Commissioners
All Regional Transport Officers
All Joint Regional Transport Officers

Approved for issue

Senior Superintendent