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Transport Commissionerate, Keralam
Trans Towers, Thiruvananthapuram
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CIRCULAR No. 14 /2016

Sub: Motor Vehicles Department-Fitment of speed limiting device-Reg

Read: 1. G.S.R. 290(E) dated 15-04-2015

2. G.O.(P) No.05/2006/Tran dated 13-01-2006

3. G.O.(P) No.42/2006/Tran dated 29-07-2006

4. G.O.(P) No. 03/2012/Tran dated 30-01-2012

It is needless to say that Kerala is the first State in India to make fitment of speed limiting device mandatory for transport vehicles. But no specific standard was prescribed at that time. This had led to the fitment of speed limiter devices of substandard quality. In the judgement in WP(C) No. 295/2012 dated 22-04-2014, the Hon'ble Supreme Court has directed to ensure the fitment of safety features in vehicles at the time of stage of designing, manufacture, usage, operation and maintenance. Besides in WP(C) No. 15558/16, the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala has also directed to pass appropriate order in the petition submitted by Sri.Kaloor Joseph regarding the implementation Rule 118 of the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989.

Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, New Delhi, vide notification read as 1st paper above amended Rule 118 of the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989. As per the amended rule every transport vehicle notified by the Central Government under Sub-section (4) of Section 41 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 and manufactured on or after 1st October 2015 shall be equipped or fitted by the vehicle manufacturer, either in the manufacturing stage or at the dealership stage, with a speed governor (speed limiting device or speed limiting function) having maximum pre set speed of 80 km/hour conforming to the standard AIS 018/2001, as amended from time to time; provided further that transport vehicles that are

- (i) two wheelers
- (ii) three wheelers
- (iii) quadricycles
- (iv) four wheeled and used for carriage of passengers and their luggage with seating capacity not exceeding 8 passengers in addition to driver (M1 Category) and not exceeding 3500 Kg gross vehicle weight
- (v) fire tenders
- (vi) ambulances
- (vii) police vehicles
- (viii) verified and certified by a testing agency specified in rule 126 to have maximum noted speed of not more than 80 Km/hour shall not be required to be equipped or fitted with speed governor.

The procedure for empanelment of manufacturers have already started and manufacturers who are already having ARAI approval will be reviewed as per the guidelines and the list will be intimated later. The performance of empanelled manufacturers will be reviewed annually.

The following Transport vehicles which are registered/manufactured before 1st October 2015 and not fitted with speed limiting device shall be equipped or fitted with a speed governor (speed limiting device or speed limiting function) having maximum pre set speed mentioned below conforming to the standard AIS 018/2001, as amended from time to time:

SI No	Vehicle	Pre set speed Km/Hour
1	All Stage carriages, Tipper Lorries and Heavy Transport Vehicles	60
2	All vehicles that are used for carrying school children (except three wheeler)	50
3	Dumpers, Tankers and vehicles used for carrying dangerous or hazardous goods	60
4	All other Transport Vehicles which do not come under the category mentioned in SI No.1,2 and 3	80

The pre set speed of vehicles that are mentioned above and manufactured on or after 1st October 2015 shall be same as mentioned in the table. The vehicles which are manufactured on or before 1st October 2015 and which are not fitted with speed limiting device shall be fitted with a speed governor on or before 31-08-2016. Hence the process of fitting of speed governor may be started immediately.

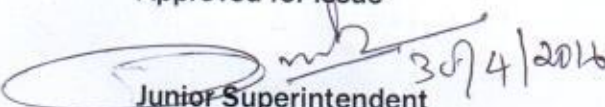
All Motor Vehicles Inspectors and Assistant Motor Vehicles Inspectors are directed to ascertain the fitment of speed governors of all vehicles mentioned above at the time of registration/issuing certificate of fitness and at the time of checking of vehicles during enforcement duties.

Sd/-
Transport Commissioner

To

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

Approved for issue


Junior Superintendent

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