

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Transport (B) Department

NOTIFICATION

G.O.(P) No. 38/2013/Tran. Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 30th, April 2013.

S.R.O. No...../2013. - In exercise of the powers conferred by sub - section (1) and clause (j) of sub - section (2) of section 138 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (Central Act 59 of 1988), the Government of Kerala hereby make the following rules further to amend the Kerala Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989, the same having been previously published as notification No.14897/B2/2012/Tran dated 2nd February 2013 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No.345 dated 6th February 2013, as required by sub - section (1) of section 212 of the said Act, namely:-

RULES

1. *Short title and commencement.* - (1) These Rules may be called the Kerala Motor Vehicles (Fifth Amendment) Rules, 2013.

(2) They shall come into force at once.

2. *Amendment of the Rules.* - In the Kerala Motor Vehicles Rules 1989, for rule 336 A, the following rule shall be substituted, namely: -

“336 A. *Restrictions in time of transporting dangerous or hazardous goods* – Movement of bullet trucks transporting bulk load of Liquefied Petroleum Gas shall be restricted during peak traffic hours from 8 a.m to 11 a.m and 4 p.m. To 6 p.m. in Corporation and Municipal limits:

Provided that the Regional Transport Authority of the region shall impose suitable local time restrictions for goods carriages transporting dangerous or hazardous goods according to local requirements for ensuring road safety, free flow of traffic and movement of vehicles”.

By order of the Governor,

ELIAS GEORGE,
Additional Chief Secretary to Government.

Explanatory Note

(This does not form part of the notification, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

As per rule 336 A of the Kerala Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989, movements of goods carriages transporting dangerous or hazardous goods shall be operated only after 8 p.m. and before 8 a.m. In the meeting convened by the Government, the representatives of oil companies and transport operators have pointed out that the restriction imposed on the vehicles carrying hazardous goods is seriously affecting the movement of such vehicles causing scarcity of Liquefied Petroleum Gas. It is also pointed out that in other States there is no day time restriction imposed on vehicles carrying dangerous or hazardous goods. Government have examined the matter and decided to make amendment to rule 336 A of the Kerala Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 relaxing the restrictions without compromising on safety measures.

The notification is intended to achieve the above object.