

REPORT No.23 dated 18-11-2015

Present:

- 1) Justice M.Ramachandran (Retd.) Chairman
- 2) T.Elangovan Member
- 3) N.Niyathi Member
- 4) Tomin J.Thachankary Member Secretary

Report No.22 dated 22-09-2015 had been submitted to the Government and a copy thereof had been made available to the Kerala State Road Transport Corporation, since it was on the request of the KSRTC that the Government had required the Committee to examine the issue of flexi charges.

In the meanwhile, the Managing Director of KSRTC had addressed the Member Secretary a letter dated 10-11-2015, a copy thereof is appended hereto.

In the report dated 22-09-2015, the Committee had made a recommendation that on a provisional basis the Corporation is to be permitted to charge a lower fare up to 15% to 20% to the existing fare in the inter-State services, for Super Fast and other upper class services.

In the letter dated 10-11-2015, details concerning the issue have been supplied. It is stated that an increase of over Rs.3.05 lakhs was seen in the month of October, 2015 and there was an increase in the reservation tickets, which according to them, prima facie showed that the proposal has favourably assisted the operations of the above class of services.

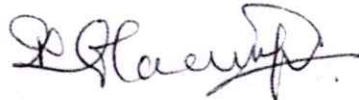
Mr.Sreekumar, Administrative Officer of KSRTC had been permitted to address the Committee, and he states that the collection is on the rise, and in fact, there is no objection coming from the passenger community or from any other quarter.

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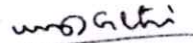
Taking note of the above and the submissions made by the KSRTC, we recommend that as supplemental to Report No.22, the Government may permit the KSRTC to charge a lower fare up to an upper limit of 25%, on specified dates, which may be attractive to the travelling public and it may help to increase the revenue. We have also to take notice that the private operators are at times offering subsidised travel facilities and thus gain an upper hand on many occasions. Of course this also may be considered as a provisional recommendation and if the Government feels that further probe is required at the hands of the Committee, the Committee will look into the matter, in further detail collecting additional materials, which we hope will be made available to the Committee.



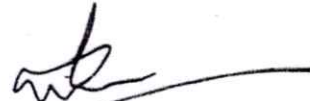
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