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From

Transport Commissioner,
Motor Vehicles Department, GoK

To

The Transport Commissioners of All States &
Union Territories' Administration.

Sir,

Sub:- **Motor Vehicles Department** – Acceptance of Digital Driving Licences issued by Kerala MVD - produced in electronic form through Digilocker App or any other Electronic format - reg.

Ref:- G O (Rt) No.434/2024/Trans dated 06.11.2024.

With the reference cited above, it is informed that the Rule 139 of the Central Motor Vehicles Rule 1989 has been amended vide GSR 1081(E) dated 2nd November 2018 and GSR 584(E) dated 25th September 2020 enabling production of driving license or any other relevant documents either in physical form or electronic form.

Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH) has prescribed Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for validating the transport related documents in electronic form through IT or mobile application platformss.

Section 4 of the IT Act 2000 stipulates that where any law provides for information or any other matter shall be in writing or in the type written or printed form, then notwithstanding anything contained in such law, such requirement shall be deemed to have been satisfied if such information or matter is rendered or made available in an electronic form.

Government of Kerala vide G O (Rt) No.434/2024/Trans dated 06.11.2024 have decided to shift from the present practice of issuing printed driving licence in PVC Pet G Card to issuing only digital driving licence. The digital Driving Licence is downloadable from the portal into Digi-Locker App. The Motor Vehicles Department, Kerala has discontinued the issuance of printed driving licence in physical form with effect from 01.11.2024. Instead the driving licences are being issued only in electronic form.

The drivers who have been issued with digital driving license in Kerala State are not legally bound to produce the physical copy of their driving licence on demand by the enforcement authorities. Under these circumstances, the enforcement authorities of all States and Union Territory Administrations are hereby requested to issue directions to enforcement agencies such as MVD and Police Department that production of driving licence in electronic form, issued in Kerala by the concerned drivers, as available in the DigiLocker or downloaded from the portal in an electronic form would satisfy the requirements of Rule 139 of the CMV Rules, 1989. That the QR code mentioned in the Digital Driving Licence can be scanned to verify it.

The enforcement authorities including the officers of Police Department are hereby

requested to accept Digital Driving Licence format from Drivers of Kerala traveling around the country.

Yours Faithfully

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