

**THE STATE TRANSPORT AUTHORITY, KERALA.**  
**AGENDA WITH NOTES**

**Additional Departmental Agenda Item No. 2**

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| Agenda :        | Implementation of BS VI exhaust emission standards and the AIS-052 Code of Practice for bus body design and approval when issuing fresh permits for new stage carriage routes.  |
| <b>File No.</b> | <b>D1/278/2025-TC</b>   |
| NOTES :         | <p>The Bus Operators Associations have submitted a representation highlighting that vehicles nearing 22 years of age are being used to apply for new permits, and after the permit is granted, the vehicle along with the permit is sold, thereby enabling permit trafficking.</p> <p>In view of the above demand, passenger and public safety, and to avoid permit trafficking, the STA may consider the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The AIS-052 Code of Practice for bus body design and approval should be implemented at the time of issuing fresh permits for new stage carriage routes.</li> <li>2. Fresh permits for new stage carriage routes should be issued only to vehicles meeting the BS VI exhaust emission standards.</li> </ol> <p>STA may peruse the matter and take appropriate decision.</p> |

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