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Head Office, Motor Vehicles Department, Thiruvananthapuram, Dated: 19.3.2003.

CIRCULAR NO.9/2003

Sub:- M.Vs.Dept. - Illicit Taxi Operation of Private Vehicles by way of Rent-a-cab
Scheme - Instructions issued.

Ref:- Complaint dated 12.12.2002 from Thiruvalla Taluk Drivers Union.

Complaints have been received from Taxi Drivers Union, Thiruvalla about the illicit taxi operation of private vehicles under the title of Rent-a-cab Scheme which causes lot of hardship to the existing taxi operators. No licence under Rent-a-cab Scheme has been issued in Kerala so far. Such operations is violation of section 66 of the M.V.Act and hence an offence punishable under Section 192 A of the M.V.Act. The said offence is not a compoundable under Section 200. Therefore prosecution steps have to be taken against the offenders. As per section 207 of the M.V.Act a vehicle operating without a permit can be seized and detained by the authorities concerned. In view of the afore said situation, all Regional Transport Officers, Joint Regional Transport Officers and other officers concerned are directed to take stringent action against the illegal operation of private cars under the title Rend-A-Cab Scheme.

The receipt of the circular shall be acknowledged.

For Transport Commissioner.

To

All Regional Transport Officers, Joint Regional Transport Officers & Motor Vehicles Inspectors for information and necessacy action.

Copy to: CA to TC, Secretary, STA for information.