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Transport Commissionerate, Keralam
Trans Towers, Thiruvananthapuram
Dated: 11-08-2011

From
The Transport Commissioner

To
All Deputy Transport Commissioners
All Regional Transport Officers
All Joint Regional Transport Officers
Motor Vehicles Inspectors of all border check posts in Kerala

Sir,
Sub: Motor Vehicles Department-Hunting of endangered Marine species-Request for taking vigil on illegal trade-Direction issuing of -reg

Ref: Letter No.BDC1-787/11 dated 16-07-2011 from the Chief Conservator of Forests (Bio-diversity Cell), Thiruvananthapuram

Your attention is invited to the above subject. It may be noted that Turtles and Dolphins are endangered marine animals protected under the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972. Capturing, killing, keeping in possession, transportation, trade, etc. of the above species or parts or derivatives of them are illegal and punishable under the above said Act. Vide reference cited, the Chief Conservator of Forests (Bio-diversity Cell) has informed that incidents of illegal trade and inter-state transportation of the above species have been reported recently in the news papers and preliminary investigation does not rule out such possibility.

In the light of the above, you are directed to render necessary assistance to the Department of Forests (Bio-diversity Cell) by duly informing the transportation of the above said species and wild animals or their part through the check posts, if any, in order to facilitate urgent action.

Yours faithfully
Sd/-
Senior DTC (Taxation)
For Transport Commissioner

Approved for issue

Senior Superintendent

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19/8/11