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Transport Commissionerate, Keralam Trans Towers, Thiruvananthapuram Dated: 16-05-2015

From

The Transport Commissioner

To

All Deputy Transport Commissioners All Regional Transport Officers All Joint Regional Transport Officers Motor Vehicles Inspectors of all Check Posts

Sir.

Sub: Motor Vehicles Department-Checking of overloading in vehicles-reg Ref: Earlier directions issued in this regard

Attention is invited to the above reference. It is needless to emphasize that overloading is a social menace which badly damages the precious road infrastructure as well as the vehicles. Overloaded vehicles are dangerous from safety point of view and are known to cause accident not only to those vehicles but to other road users also.

Overloading is an offence under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988. The Act also makes penal provisions to deal with the offence. The law mandates necessary off loading of excess load before compounding the offence and allowing further movement of the vehicle. However it is noticed that the offence is compounded without off loading the excess load and thus in practice overloading continues. The need of the hour is that overloading must be stopped in all circumstances and against all odds.

Hence you are directed to take all possible steps to wipe out the practice of overloading. If overloading is detected, steps should be taken to suspend Driving Licence of the offender. If the offender/Registered owner of the vehicle is not willing to compound the offences, then steps for prosecution should be initiated by the officers of the Motor Vehicles Department not below the rank of Assistant Motor Vehicles Inspector. There is provision of law under Rule 186 of the Kerala Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 also to suspend or cancel permit of the vehicle if the situation is warranted. The officers not below the rank of Joint Regional Transport Officer can invoke this provision.

All Deputy Transport Commissioners are also requested to furnish a compliance report in the prescribed proforma enclosed herewith for the period from 01-09-2013 to 30-04-2015.

Yours faithfully
Sd/Senior Deputy Transport Commissioner
(Taxation)
For Transport Commissioner

Approved for issue

Senior Superintendent

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- (1). Total number of overload detected during the period 01-09-2013 to 31-12-2013
- (2). Total number of overload detected during the year 2014
- (3). Total number of overload detected during the year utpo 30-04-2015
- (4). Compounding fee collected during the period 01-09-2013 to 31-12-2013
- (5). Compounding fee collected during 2014
- Compounding fee collected during the period upto 30-04-2015
- (7). Nature of material carried as over load
- (8). Number of cases in which the excess load is off loaded for each period
- (9). No.of driving licence suspended for overloading
- (10). No.of permit suspended for overloading
- (11). Remarks