

CIRCULAR NO. 17/2005

Sub : - Motor Vehicles Department-Endorsement of retro fitment of L.P.G. kits in Motor Vehicles-guidelines-clarification-issued

- Ref : -
1. GSR 284 (E) dated 24-4-2001
 2. GSR 569(E) dated, 01-08-2001
 3. Circular No. 26/04 dated, 25-5-2004 of Transport Commissioner, Kerala
 4. Circular No. 37/04 dated, 28-12-2004 of Transport Commissioner, Kerala
 5. Circular No. 13/2005 dated 8-10-2005

As per the guidelines issued vide Circular 5th cited, it had been made mandatory, w.e.f. 8-10-2005 for all retro fitment centers in Kerala to obtain a certificate as prescribed in Annexure VII thereto from the Registering Authority concerned so as to perform fitment of gas conversion kits in various categories of vehicles. For obtaining endorsement and approval for the L.P.G. conversion, the registered owners were required to submit application therefore within 15 days of the date of purchase of the retro fitments.

But, now it has come to notice that the dearth of adequate field staff and the necessity to complete various administrative as well as procedural formalities warrant more time for the issuance of such a certificate, as per the guidelines, to the retro fitment centres in the State. As the result of this, the registered owners, whose vehicles have already been or are being duly fitted with gas conversion kits, are finding it difficult to get the same endorsed in the R.C. as the Registering Authorities are refusing to entertain such applications for endorsement solely on the ground that the centre which made the retro fitment has not obtained the certificate as prescribed in Annexure VII of the Circular.

By this, much inconvenience is seen caused to the registered owners, for no fault of theirs. As such, it is not only just but also highly necessary that an opportunity shall be given in genuine cases where retro fitment has been done by authorised centres.

In the circumstances, in order to afford an opportunity to the registered owners whose vehicles have been or are being retro fitted by centres which have not so far obtained the certificate as stipulated in annexure VII of the circular but are otherwise qualified as authorised as per the relevant provisions of the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989, it is hereby ordered that endorsement of alteration in the Registration Certificate in such cases shall be allowed, provided applications in that behalf are submitted on or before 31st January 2006, after fulfilling the necessary stipulations there of contained in the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 and the rules there under

Sd/-
Transport Commissioner