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GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

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NOTIFICATION

G.O. (MS) No. 16/96/Tran.

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 31st March 1998.

M.S. R. O. No. 301/98.—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 22 of the Kerala Motor Vehicles Taxation Act, 1976 (19 of 1976), the Government of Kerala being satisfied that it is necessary in the public interest so to do, hereby exempt three wheelers, invalid carriages, motor cycles and motor cars which are owned by physically handicapped persons for their own use whether driven by the handicapped persons themselves or by others for the transport of such handicapped persons, from the tax payable under the said Act, from the 1st day of April, 1998 permanently subject to the production of a certificate from a Medical Officer not below the rank of a Civil Surgeon that the owner of the vehicle is a physically handicapped person with more than 40% disability at least.

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Acting in my Authority
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Thiruvananthapuram.

Explanation.—For the purpose of this Notification, "Physically handicapped persons" means,—

- (a) *The blind.*—That is those persons who suffer from any of the following conditions:
 - (i) Total absence of sight,
 - (ii) Visual acuity not exceeding 6/60 or 20/200 (snellen) in the better eye with correcting lenses,
 - (iii) Limitation of the field of vision subtending an angle of 20 degrees or worse.
- (b) *The Deaf.*—That is, those persons in whom the sense of hearing is non-functional for the ordinary purposes of life. Generally a loss of hearing at 70 decibels or above at 500, 1000 or 2000 frequencies will make residual hearing non-functional;
- (c) *The orthopaedically handicapped.*—That is, those persons who have a physical defect or deformity which caused an interference with the normal functioning of bones, muscles and joints.

By order of the Governor,

DR. V. RAJAGOPALAN,
Secretary to Government.

Explanatory Note

(This does not form part of the notification but is intended to indicate the main purport.)

Government consider that motorised vehicles, namely, three wheelers, invalid carriages, motor cycles and motor cars which are owned by physically handicapped persons with more than 40% disability, for their own use be exempted permanently from payment of tax payable under the Kerala Motor Vehicles Taxation Act, 1976 (19 of 1976) from the 1st day of April, 1998.

This notification is intended to achieve the above purpose.

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