

Sub: M.Vs. Dept. - Procedures to be adopted for the disposal of pending RMA cases - Revised procedures to be adopted - Issue of Orders - Reg.

Ref : This Office Circular No.11/04 vide reference of even No.dated 19-02-2004.

Circular No.11/04 was issued from this Office with a view to preventing the Re-registration of Vehicles involved in theft and criminal cases. The above referred Circular was issued to all the Registering Authorities in Kerala, directing them not only to check the Website of the National Crime Records Bureau, New Delhi but also to obtain "clear signal" by Fax or E-mail from the Original Registering Authority, as recommended by the Director of Vigilance and Anti-Corruption Bureau, Kerala. Most of the RT Offices/Sub RT Offices in India are not computerised. Very often, no replies are received from other State RTOs even after repeated reminders are given by the Regional Transport Officers of this State. Due to all the above reasons, a large number of assignment cases are pending in all the RTOs/SRTOs in the State, after the issue of the Circular No.11/2004 dated 19-02-2004 dated 19-02-2004. This inordinate delay is causing considerable difficulties to the general public, and remedial measures are necessary.

02. In order to streamline the procedures with a view to minimising difficulties to the general public, the following instructions are issued with immediate effect.

03. On receipt of an application for the assignment of fresh Registration mark in respect of any vehicle registered in another State, the Registering Authority in Kerala should write by Registered Post, with acknowledgement due, to the Original Registering Authority, requesting to verify and report the genuineness of the NOC within a period of 60 days from the date of issue of the letter. If no reply is received within 60 days, the application will be dealt with on the assumption that the Original Registering Authority has no objection to proceeding with the Re-registration. In the meanwhile, the Registering Authority should also send a list of all RMA cases, with full details to the Transport Commissionerate at Thiruvananthapuram which should be addressed in the name cover of the Assistant Transport Commissioner. The Assistant Transport Commissioner, in turn, will get the details checked through the Website of NCRB, and will give a reply to the RTOs concerned, within a week of receipt of the communication from the RTOs. The Assistant Transport Commissioner will maintain a Register for this purpose. This Register will contain details of all requests received, the information gathered from the NCRB Website with respect to each request and the date of despatch of reply to the RTO.

04. In cases where no reply has been received from the Original Registering Authority even after the expiry of two months, the applicant should then be asked to file an Affidavit on Stamp Paper worth Rs.50/- attested by a Notary Public affixing Notary Stamp. The Vehicle can then be re-registered, after obtaining such Affidavit, provided the same is clear from the NCRB angle also.

05. Applications for assignment of fresh Registration mark will be entertained only after inspecting the vehicle, and the applicable taxes etc. can also be accepted at any time during the above two-month period, if the applicant wishes to remit the same.

06. This Circular is issued with the prior approval of the Vigilance and Anti-Corruption Bureau, Kerala.

07. Receipt of this Circular will be acknowledged.

(Sd/-)

Transport Commissioner