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GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

No: B1/212/2018/Trans.

Transport (B) Department.  
Thiruvananthapuram,  
Dated: 12.12.2018

From  
The Principal Secretary to Government

To  
The Superintendent of Government Presses,  
Thiruvananthapuram

Sir,

Sub:- Transport Department – Notification publishing in the Kerala  
Gazette - Reg.

Ref:- G.O.(P) No.45/2018/Tran. dated 11.12.2018

I am to forward herewith a copy of the Government notification cited for publishing in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary, after assigning SRO number today itself and to request you to furnish 400 copies of the printed notification to Government, and 50 copies to the Transport Commissioner Thiruvananthapuram, urgently within a week.

Yours faithfully,

**SMITHA. S.**  
**UNDER SECRETARY**

for Principal Secretary to Government

Approved for Issue

*[Signature]*

Section Officer

Copy to:  1. The Transport Commissioner, Thiruvananthapuram  
2. I & PRD (for publishing in the website)  
3. PS to Hon'ble Minister (Transport)

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Transport (B) Department

NOTIFICATION

G.O.(P)No. 45/2018/Tran.

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2018  
25<sup>th</sup> Vrishchikam, 1194  
20<sup>th</sup> Agrahayana, 1940.

S.R.O.No...../2018.- WHEREAS, representations have been received by Government that the existing rates of hire charges of Autorickshaws and Taxies should be revised;

AND WHEREAS, the Government are satisfied that the conditions have changed since the issuance of directions in the Notification issued under G.O.(P) No. 74/2014/Tran. dated the 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2014 published as S.R.O. No. 624/2014 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No. 2485 dated 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2014 and that it is necessary to modify the directions issued to the State Transport Authority and the Regional Transport Authorities in respect of the hire charges of Autorickshaws and Taxies in the said notification;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (i) of sub-section (1) of section 67 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (Central Act 59 of 1988), and in supersession of the directions in notification issued under G.O.(P) No. 74/2014/Tran. dated 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2014 published as S.R.O. No. 624/2014 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No. 2485 dated 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2014, the Government of Kerala hereby issue the following directions to the State Transport Authority and the Regional Transport Authorities in the State as follows:-

DIRECTIONS

The State Transport Authority or the Regional Transport Authorities, as the case may be, shall refix the fares of contract carriages specified in column (1) of the Schedule below, at the rates shown in the corresponding entries under column (2) thereof, namely:-

## SCHEDULE

Category of Contract Carriages (1)	Rate of hire charges (2)
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### Hire Charges

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| 1 | Autorickshaws   | Minimum hire charges will be ₹ 25.00 for a distance upto 1.5 kilometer. Beyond the minimum the rate will be ₹ 12.00 per kilometer and ₹ 1.20 for every 100 meter or part thereof. |
| 2 | Quadricycles  | Minimum hire charges will be ₹ 30.00 for a distance upto 1.5 kilometer. Beyond the minimum the rate will be ₹ 12.00 per kilometer and ₹ 1.20 for every 100 meter or part thereof. |
| 3 | Motor Cabs having cubic capacity below 1500cc (including tourist Motor Cabs and ordinary Motor Cabs) with a seating capacity of not more than seven persons including driver.     | ₹ 15.00 per kilometer for motor cabs (both petrol and diesel) subject to a minimum of ₹ 175.00 for a distance upto 5 kilometers.  |
| 4 | Motor Cabs having cubic capacity 1500cc and above (including tourist Motor Cabs and ordinary Motor Cabs) with a seating capacity of not more than seven persons including driver. | ₹ 17.00 per kilometer for motor cabs (both petrol and diesel) subject to a minimum of ₹ 200.00 for a distance upto 5 kilometers.  |

In the case of Autorickshaws and Quadricycles, an additional charge at the rate of 50% of the above rate of hire charges shall be levied for journeys performed between 10 p.m and 5 a.m.

During day time, between 5 a. m. and 10 p.m, an additional charge at the rate of 50% of the charges shown in the meter in excess of the minimum charge can be levied when onward journey alone is performed and the metered charges when return journey is also performed except in Corporation areas of Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Kochi, Thrissur and Kozhikode and in the major towns of Kannur, Palakkad and Kottayam where only the metered charges can be levied.

## SCHEDULE

<i>Category of Contract Carriages</i> (1)	<i>Rate of hire charges</i> (2)
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### Detention Charges

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| 1 | Autorickshaws/Quadricycles   | ₹ 10.00 for every 15 minutes or part thereof, subject to a maximum of ₹ 250 per day. |
| 2 | Motor Cabs (including tourist Motor Cabs and ordinary Motor Cabs) irrespective of Cubic Capacity . | ₹ 50.00 per hour subject to a maximum of ₹ 500 per day.                              |

The State Transport Authority or the Regional Transport Authorities as the cases may be, shall issue authenticated printed cards to the permit holders showing progression of charges beyond the standard charges leviable and the same shall be displayed in the contract carriages for convincing the passengers the prevailing rates.

This notification shall come into force at once.

By order of the Governor,  
**K.R.JYOTHILAL**  
*Principal Secretary to Government.*

## Explanatory Note

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

Representations were received by Government from the leaders of Trade Unions connected with Autorickshaws and Motor Cabs, requesting for revision of hire charges fixed in 2014 as per G.O.(P) No. 74/2014/Tran. dated the 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2014 published as S.R.O. No. 624/2014 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No. 2485 dated the 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2014. Having regard to the conditions stipulated in sub-section (1) of section 67 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (Central Act 59 of 1988) and the hike in price of Petrol and Diesel and all other allied factors that cause the increase in the operating cost and the report submitted by the Justice Ramachandran Committee constituted as per G.O.(Ms) No.61/2010/Tran dated 19-08-2010, Government have decided to allow increase in the hire charges of Autorickshaws, Motor Cabs and Quadricycles.

The notification is intended to achieve the above object.