GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

VEHICLES OF GOVERNMENT/PUBLIC SECTOR UNDERTAKINGS/LOCAL BODIES/AUTONOMOUS BODIES - CURBING OF MISUSE - CLARIFICATION ISSUED.

FINANCE (INSPECTION NT-F) DEPARTMENT.

G.O. (Ms) No. 543/2005/Fin

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 19th December, 2005.

Read: (1) G.O. (P) No. 233/2002/Fin dated 17.4.2002.

(2) G.O. (Ms) No. 113/2003/Fin. Dated 24.2.2003.

ORDER

- 1. As per GOS (1) and (2) read above, Government guidelines were issued to curb misuse of Government Vehicles. Even after the issue of these orders it has come to the notice of Government that some ambiguities remain regarding interpretation and implementation of paragraphs 6-7 of G.O. (P) No. 233/2002/Fin dated 17.4.2002,and paragraph 15 of G.O. (Ms) No. 113/2003/Fin. Dated 24.2.2003. In the above circumstances Government Issue the following guidelines in clarification of the aforementioned paragraphs of the two G.Os under reference.
- 2. The monthly payments indicated in para 6 of G.O (P) No. 233/2002/Fin. Dated 17.4.2002 are not mandatory. Only those Principal Secretaries/Secretaries/Heads of Major Departments permitted to use vehicles on payment for personal use, and wish to dose, need pay these amounts on a monthly basis. If they choose not to pay, there would be no monthly ceiling. In such case, any journey for personal use would have to be paid @ Rs. 3 per km and there would be no upper limit to duty journey in headquarters, including journey from residence to office and back. Where officers choose to pay the monthly charges, the ceiling would apply to official and personal use taken together.
- 3. According to para 15 of G.O.(Ms) No. 113/2003/Fin dated 24.2.2003 relatives and friends are not permitted to use the office vehicle. This clause however is not applicable where the officer is authorized to use the car for personal use on payment of monthly charges (within a monthly ceiling) or when the vehicle is used for personal use by payment @ Rs. 3/km.
- 4. Regarding paragraph 7 of GO (P) No. 233/2002/Fin dated 17.4.2002; it is ordered that unused kilometers in a month can be adjusted against ceiling in subsequent months within the same financial year for which the officer used the vehicle. If the limit is outside headquarters would be excluded from determining this ceiling journeys for personal use could be performed outside headquarters also, but within the monthly ceiling.

By order of the Governor, K.Jose Cyriac Principal Secretary (Finance).

To
The Principal Accountant General (Audit), Kerala, Trivandrum.
The Accountant General (A&E), Kerala, Trivandurm etc......