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Head Office,
Motor Vehicles Department,
Thiruvananthapuram,
Date: 16.6.1999.

From

S.Pulikesi, IPS.
Inspector General of Police,
Transport Commissioner (In charge).

To

All Deputy Transport Commissioners,
All Regional Transport Officers and
Joint Regional Transport Officers of
Sub R.T.Offices.

Sir,

Sub:- Driving Licence - conduct of tests - revised
procedure - reg -

- Ref:-
1. This office Circular No.16/98 dated 2.6.98.
 2. This office letter of even No. dated 9.7.98.
 3. This office Circular No.20/98 dated 25.7.98.
 4. This office letter of even No. dated 28.9.98.
 5. This office letter of even No. dated 13.10.98.
 6. This office letter of even No. dated 19.2.99.
 7. Judgement in OP.No.17177/98/T dated 16.3.99.
 8. This office letter No.C1-13294/TC/98 dated 3.6.98.

By the reference first cited, revised procedure for conducting driving test was issued. As such 14 testing grounds in the District Headquarters were notified vide reference 2nd cited. Necessary directions regarding the specification for conducting the test was also issued in this office circular NO.20/98 dated 25.7.98.

With a view to overcome the difficulties experienced by applicants who are waiting assignment of date for driving test, additional testing grounds were opened in four major cities vide reference fifth cited and again 10 additional grounds with effect from 1.3.99 vide reference 6th cited.

In the judgement of the Honourable High Court of Kerala vide 7th cited, it is ordered, "If only one centre is located in the district, it will take a long time to complete the tests and the intended licences have to cover a long distance. Hence it is contended that this Court should direct the respondents to allow testing in places where Sub R.T.Offices are existing. It is made clear that if an application contains the temporary address as that of the school, that application should not be rejected. Similarly all the licensing authorities should see that testing centres are opened in Sub Regions as expeditiously as possible".

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In view of the directions issued by the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala orders were already issued to the effect that temporary address shown as driving school should not be rejected vide reference 8th cited above.

In partial modifications of the earlier circulars and directions issued in this regard it is ordered that Regional Transport Officers should select suitable grounds for conducting driving test in the jurisdiction of each Joint R.T. Offices in his district and should notify the ground and date of tests by giving wide publicity. Any how, the test should commence in all the remaining Joint R.T. Offices with effect from 1.8.98. Adequate arrangements should be made to accept applications and issue driving licences in the respective Joint Regional Transport Officers. Except for these modifications instructions issued vide circulars referred above will remain unchanged.

Minimum one Driving test should be conducted in each testing centre in a week. If found necessary the Regional Transport Officers may conduct tests on more days depending upon the pending applications.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]
Transport Commissioner.

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