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Transport Commissionerate, Kerala,  
Trans Towers, Thiruvananthapuram  
Dated: 11.06.2009

From

The Transport Commissioner,  
Thiruvananthapuram.

To

All Deputy Transport Commissioners,  
All Regional Transport Officers &  
All Joint Regional Transport Officers

Sir,

Sub: Motor Vehicles Dept. - Issue of Contract Carriage permit to Educational  
Institution Buses - direction issued - reg.Ref: 1. Central Government Letter No.RT/11012/02/MVL dated 26.09.02  
2. This office Letter of even number dated 12.02.04  
3. Central Government Letter No.RT/11012/32/06/MVL dated 28.08.06  
4. Government letter No.12721/B3/2007/Tran dated 06.08.08

Educational Institution were exempted under Section 66 (3) (h) of Motor Vehicles Act from obtaining permit. This exemption was withdrawn by an amendment of Motor Vehicles Act during 2000 (Amendment Act No.27 of 2000). But the permit to be issued to Educational Institution Buses was not prescribed by the Act. Therefore Central Government was requested to prescribe the permit to be issued for Educational Institution Buses. Vide reference 1<sup>st</sup> cited, Central Government clarified that Educational Institution Buses can be categorized as Contract Carriages.

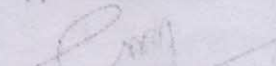
Meanwhile, as per the reference 2<sup>nd</sup> cited, Transport Authorities in the State were directed to issue Private Service Vehicle permit to all the Educational Institution Buses.

Since the Department was of the view that Educational Institution Bus cannot be categorized as Contract Carriage, the matter was again taken up with Central Government. Vide the reference 3<sup>rd</sup> cited, Central Government had issued a clarification reiterating their stand that all Educational Institution Buses should be classified as Contract Carriages. The State Government in their letter reference 4<sup>th</sup> cited, has directed to grant contract carriage permit to all newly registered Educational Institution Buses. It was also directed that Educational Institution Buses, issued with Private Service Vehicle permits need be issued with Contract Carriage permit only at the time of renewal. Hence all Regional Transport Officers and Joint Regional Transport Officers

are hereby directed to issue Contract Carriage permit to all Educational Institution Buses which are registered on or after 01.06.2009. They are also directed to replace the existing Private-Service Vehicle Permits with Contract Carriage permits when the Private Service Vehicle permit is due for renewal. Application for contract carriage permit along with prescribed fee shall be inserted. The class of vehicle in the Registration Certificate shall be entered as "Contract Carriage (Educational Institution Bus)". In column number 10 of the Contract Carriage Permit (Form P.Co), the condition that "the vehicle shall be used only as Educational Institution Bus" shall be entered in bold letters. Regarding the rate of tax, statusquo shall be maintained. All other instruction contained in the letter referred 2<sup>nd</sup> cited copy of which is attached shall be followed scrupulously.

Yours faithfully,  
Sd/-  
Transport Commissioner

Approved for Issue

  
Senior Superintendent

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