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Transport Commissionerate, Trans Towers, Thiruvananthapuram, Dated, 14.10.2011.

From

The Transport Commissioner, Thiruvananthapuram.

To

- The Under Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Department of Road Transport and Highways, Transport Bhavan, New Delhi – 110001.
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Sir,

Sub:- M.Vs.Dept. - Alteration of Goods Vehicles in to Generator Van - Clarification sought for - reg -

As per SO.No.1248 (E) dated 05.11.2004, the vehicles or trailers fitted with equipments like generator, compressor and crane mounted vehicles are included in the category of Non Transport Vehicle. So many application for alteration of Goods Vehicle into generator van are being received by different registering Authorities all over Kerala. In various judgments, the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala had observed that the alteration of a Goods Vehicle into a generator Van does not attract the violation of section 52 of the vehicle. It may be noted that as per Rule 126 of CMV Rules, Goods Vehicle is tested and approved by the testing agencies meant for carrying goods. When a Goods Vehicle is altered as generator van or vehicle fitted with compressor or mounting of crane on the vehicle, there is no prototype approval specified in Rule 126 of CMV Rules. In the above circumstances it may be clarified whether the above

type of alteration is a violative of section 52 of M.V.Act. If not, kindly clarify whether the Goods Vehicle when altered into generator van or vehicle fitted with compressor or vehicle mounting a crane, can be included in the category of Non Transport Vehicle.

Yours faithfully,

Senior Deputy Transport Commissioner, (Tax) (In charge)

For Transport Commissioner.

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