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To

The Principal Secretary (Transport) of all States/UTs except Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu.
The Principal Secretary (Home), Government of Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu.
Transport Commissioners of all States/UTs.

Subject: Applicability of emission norms for registration of motor vehicles.

Sir,

As you are aware, vide notification number G.S.R. 84 (E) dated 9th November, 2009, the Government had notified the applicability of Bharat Stage-III and Bharat Stage-IV norms for different categories of motor vehicles in various parts of the country. Keeping in view some unforeseen circumstances, certain provisions of rule 115 of the central Motor vehicles Rules, 1989 have again been amended vide notification number G.S.R. 443 (E) dated 21st May, 2010. A copy of the same is available on the web-site of this Ministry.

2. Now with the amendments having been carried out in the rules, the position with regard to applicability of emission norms for registration of motor vehicles in different parts of the country is as under:-

(a) Bharat Stage-III emission norms shall be applicable

(i) in the National Capital Region and the cities of Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai, Bangalore, Hyderabad including Secunderabad, Ahmedabad, Pune, Surat, Kanpur, Agra, Sholapur and Lucknow in respect of two and three wheeler vehicles manufactured on or after 1st April, 2010.

(ii) in the rest of the country in respect of two and three wheeler vehicles manufactured on or after 1st October, 2010.

(iii) in all the States/UTs except the National Capital Region and the cities of Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai, Bangalore, Hyderabad including Secunderabad, Ahmedabad, Pune, Surat, Kanpur, Agra, Sholapur and Lucknow in respect of four wheeler vehicles manufactured on or after 1st October, 2010.

(b) Bharat Stage-IV emission norms shall be applicable

(i) in the National Capital Region and the cities of Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai, Bangalore, Hyderabad including Secunderabad, Ahmedabad, Pune, Surat, Kanpur and Agra in respect of four wheeler vehicles manufactured on or after 1st April, 2010.

(ii) in Sholapur and Lucknow in respect of four wheeler vehicles manufactured on or after 1st June, 2010.

(3) It has been brought to the notice of the Government that some confusion prevails in some parts of the country with regard to registration of motor vehicles. It may be noted that the emission norms apply to a vehicle, manufactured on or after a certain date and not with effect from the date on which it is registered. The following may, therefore be kept in view while registering a motor vehicle:

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(i) Bharat Stage-III compliant four wheeler vehicles, manufactured up to 31st March, 2010 would be eligible for registration in the National Capital Region and the cities of Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai, Bangalore, Hyderabad including Secunderabad, Ahmedabad, Pune, Surat, Kanpur and Agra till the accumulated stock is exhausted.

(ii) Bharat Stage-III compliant four wheeler vehicles, manufactured up to 31st May, 2010 would be eligible for registration in Sholapur and Lucknow till the accumulated stock is exhausted.

(iii) Bharat Stage-II compliant four wheeler vehicles, manufactured up to 31st September, 2010 would be eligible for registration in the country except the National Capital Region and the cities of Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai, Bangalore, Hyderabad including Secunderabad, Ahmedabad, Pune, Surat, Kanpur, Agra, Sholapur and Lucknow till the accumulated stock is exhausted.

(iv) Bharat Stage-II compliant two and three wheeler vehicles, manufactured up to 31st March, 2010 would be eligible for registration in the National Capital Region and the cities of Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai, Bangalore, Hyderabad including Secunderabad, Ahmedabad, Pune, Surat, Kanpur, Agra, Sholapur and Lucknow till the accumulated stock is exhausted.

(v) Bharat Stage-II compliant two and three wheeler vehicles, manufactured up to 31st September, 2010 would be eligible for registration in the rest of the country till the accumulated stock is exhausted.

(4) You may obtain the details of all the vehicles that are in the accumulated stock of the concerned dealers/manufacturers and issue guidelines to all the registering authorities to follow the principles enumerated in para (3) above.

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For Transport Commissioner