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From  
Transport Commissioner,  
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To  
All Deputy Transport Commissioners  
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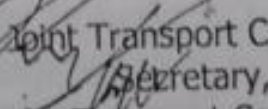
Sir,

Sub:- MVs Dept-Countersignature of EIB permits of neighbour states -  
directions forwarding -Reg.

Ref:- Copy of the decision in SITCo meeting

Inviting your attention to the reference cited. Countersignature of Educational Institution vehicles in border areas was proposed as an agenda by the Transport Commissioner of Puducherry in the 21<sup>st</sup> SITCo meeting held on 9 & 10-04-2015 at Goa and decided that it is a bilateral issue and member states can enter into Bilateral Agreement. Again this was discussed in detail by all the member states of SITCo in its 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting held on 9/3/2018 and decided to countersign EIB permits by adjoining RTAs in neighbour states for the smooth movement of Educational Institution Vehicles owned by the Educational Institutions carrying students from one state to the bordering institutions of another State. Copy of the decision is enclosed herewith u/s 67(iii) of MV Act for information and further necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

  
Joint Transport Commissioner &  
Secretary, STA,  
for Transport Commissioner,  
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point tax basis.

(Suggested by Transport Commissioner, Karnataka)

Maxi-Cab permits are issued u/s.74 of the MV Act 1988 with a seating capacity up to 12+1 in the state of Karnataka and if these vehicles are intended to operate in the neighbouring states for each and every time special permits have to be obtain u/s.88 (8) of the MV Act 1988 by paying prescribed entry tax prevailing in the concerned states. This has also resulted in unnecessary waiting of time at the border level ultimately the tourist /pilgrims are placing difficulties in travelling.

The transport operators of Karnataka have represented to the Government of Karnataka on so many occasions to fix the quota of South Zone Maxi-Cab permits so as to operate in the Southern States on single point taxation basis in the interest of promoting tourism among the neighbouring states. Therefore, in order to promote seamless transport of such Maxi-Cabs and in the interest of promoting tourism between the Southern States it is necessary to fix the quota for these categories of vehicles also like Motor-Cabs. Hence, this subject is placed for decision to fix a quota of 2000 South Zone Maxi-Cab permits for each states on reciprocal basis to operate on single point tax basis.

**Decision:** The SITCo has resolved to fix quota bilaterally by entering in to supplemental interstate reciprocal agreement between the neighboring states.

#### Item No.4

**Subject: - Countersignature of Educational Institution Vehicles in Border Areas.**

(Suggested by Transport Commissioner, Karnataka)

This subject was proposed by the Transport Commissioner of Puducherry in the 21<sup>st</sup> SITCo meeting held on 09/10-04-2015 at Goa and it was resolved that this is a bilateral issue and Member States can enter into Bilateral Agreement.

However, in order to smooth movement of Educational Institution Vehicles owned by the Educational Institutions carrying students from one State to another State to bordering Institutions, the Government of Karnataka is in full agreement with the decision taken in the 21<sup>st</sup> SITCo meeting and if all the Southern States are agreed to this proposal, this state will have no objection to allow the Educational Institution Vehicles on Bilateral Tax basis with necessary counter signature.

This has to be discussed among all the Member States in detail