Transport Commissionerate, Keralam Trans Towers, Thiruvananthapuram Dated: 20-10-2016

From

The Transport Commissioner

To

All Deputy Transport Commissioners All Regional Transport Officers All Joint Regional Transport Officers

Sir.

Sub: Motor Vehicles Department-Hand Grip on motor cycles-Strict implementation Rule 123 of the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989-Direction issuing of -Reg

Ref: Letter dated 26-09-2016 from the Regional Transport Officer, Ernakulam

It has come to notice that some motor cycles produced for registration lack hand grip and the protective device covering not less than half of the rear wheel. It may be noted that the absence of these devices increases the severity of accidents. As per Rule 123 of the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989, no motor cycle which has provision for pillion rider shall be constructed without provision for a permanent hand grip on the side or behind the driver's seat and a foot rest and a protective device covering not less than half of the rear wheel so as to prevent the clothes of the person sitting on the pillion from being entangled in the wheel. The pillion hand holds shall be governed by IS:14495-1998 specifications, as may be amended from time to time. You are directed to take necessary steps to implement Rule 123 of the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989. You are also requested to take steps to create awareness among the public about the importance of these safety devices.

Yours faithfully
Sd/Senior Deputy Transport Commissioner
(Taxation)
For Transport Commissioner

Copy to: C3 Section-While processing approval certificate of motor cycle, it may ensure that there is provision for hand grip and protective device covering not less than half of the rear wheel to prevent the clothes of the person sitting on the pillion from being entangled in the wheel

Approved for issue

Senior Superintendent