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**Ministry of Shipping, Road Transport and Highways**  
**(Department of Road Transport and Highways)**

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New Delhi-110001,  
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To

The Principal Secretary (Transport) / Transport Commissioners of  
All State Governments / Union Territories.  
Subject: Registration of certain models of imported cars in the country

Sir/Madam,

Of and on this Department has been receiving representations from various manufactures of motor vehicles who have imported certain models as completely Built Unit (CBU) in the country that these are not being registered by the registering authorities in the states on the plea that under rule 126 of CMVR,1989, an importer of motor vehicle is also required to obtain type approval certificate from any of the authorised testing agencies in the country.

(2) The manufactures have content that the Import Licensing Note to chapter 7 of ITC (HS) Classification (Para 7), issued by DGFT exempted the cars having petrol engine capacity of 3000 cc and diesel engine having capacity of above 2500 cc and having FOB value of above US \$ 40,000/-, imported by individuals / Companies and firms under EPCG scheme / OEMs having service net work from the requirement of homologation under Rule 126 of CMVR,1989 subject to the condition that the importer should produce a type approval certificate of an international accredited agency (notified by DGFT) from the country of origin. The type approval certificate should stipulate that the vehicle complies with all the ECE regulations for the complete vehicle. They have confirmed that they meet the above conditions and the vehicles imported to the country have been type approved by the country of origin as notified by DGFT.

(3) It is also clarified that the provisions made under rule 126 of Central Motor Vehicles Rules 1989, regarding homologation of imported vehicles holds good in respect of all the vehicles except the categories exempted by DGFT. In all such cases the vehicles would need to be registered on the strength of a type approval certificate of an international accredited agency (notified by DGFT) from the country of origin.

(4) Necessary action to register the vehicles may, therefore, be taken after ensuring that such vehicles meet the conditions stipulated in Para 2 above.

Yours faithfully,  
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