

From

The Transport Commissioner

To

All Deputy Transport Commissioners
All Regional Transport Officers
All Joint Regional Transport Officers
Motor Vehicles Inspectors of all Motor Vehicles Check Posts

Sir,

Sub: Motor Vehicles Department-Transportation of animals through check posts-Violation of rules-Strict Action requesting of-Reg

Ref: Letter dated 12-12-2013 from Smt.Gauri Maulekhi, Co-opted Member, Animal Welfare Board of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests, Govt of India

Attention is invited to the above reference. It has been come to the notice of this office that animals are being transported to the State in lorries through various check post violating the existing provisions in the Kerala Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 and also causing cruelty to animals. Many complaints from various corners have also been received in this regard.

In this connection I am to inform you that an amendment in the Kerala Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 has been made as per the order in judgement in WP.(C).No.28436/09 of Hon'ble High Court so as to transport the animals in vehicles in a safe manner according to the size and weight of the same. Strict instruction has already been issued to all offices to see that the amended provisions are complied during the transportation of animals in vehicles. Even though strict norms are prescribed for transportation of animals, the same are not seen complied by the transporters. Hence all officers in the department, especially the officers in the check post are once again directed to see that the provision in the rules are strictly complied. The amendment made in the Kerala Motor Vehicles Rules 1989 is available in the department website. Any lapse in this regard will be viewed seriously.

Yours faithfully

Joint Transport Commissioner
(Enforcement)
For Transport Commissioner

Approved for issue

Senior Superintendent

18.12.13