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Transport(B)Department, Thiruvananthapuram, Dated:-17.07.2014

To
The Transport Commissioner,
Secretary STA,
The Secretary, All RTAs,
The CMD, KSRTC.

Sir,

Sub:- Renewal of permits to Pvt. Stage Carriages -Reg.

As per GO (P) No. 73/2013/Tran. dated 16/07/2013 issued as SRO No. 555/2013 Government had approved a scheme specifying that Fast Passenger Services, Super Express Services, Super Delux Services and Luxury Services should be run and operated by the State Transport undertaking and excluding the Private stage carriage services by invoking the powers conferred by sub-section (3) of Section 100 of the Motor Vehicle Act, 1988. Likewise, as per GO (P)No. 3/2014/Tran. dt.22/01/2014 issued as per SRO No. 57/2014 Government approved the scheme nationalizing the Ponnani - Chelari route as per the particulars given in schedule therein, under sub-section (3) of Section 100 of the Motor Vehicle Act, 1988. In pursuance of above schemes the KSRTC applied for permits in the notified routes subject to the conditions stipulated in the schemes and some permits have been obtained by the KSRTC. Now it has



come to the notice of the Government that the KSRTC is at present not in a position to take over all the permits and to operate the services effectively in view of the shortage of fleet and staff. Government have formulated the above schemes for the purpose of providing an efficient, adequate, economical and properly co-ordinated road transport service in public interest, as provided under section 99 of the Motor Vehicles Act. But the KSRTC is not at present capable of operating all the services as per the above schemes due to the constraints. As the private stage carriages are being kept away from such routes the travel needs of the general public cannot be addressed adequately and the purpose of the schemes introduced is not being carried out through the infrastructure available with the KSRTC. In the above circumstances and in order to ensure sufficient travel facilities to the general public Government find it necessary to amend the above schemes suitably.

Therefore it is directed that the Regional Transport Authorities will issue temporary permits in respect of the Private Stage Carriages, the permits of which had been rejected by the Regional Transport Authorities as a result of coming into being of the schemes mentioned above. This is only a temporary measure and stopgap arrangement to ensure travel facilities to the public at large.

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The above directions will be applicable to the Schemes notified as per SRO No. 555/2013 and SRO No. 57/2014. The Regional Transport Authorities shall not issue any new permits in the routes covered by the above Schemes until further orders.

The CMD, KSRTC will formulate appropriate schemes under Section 99 of the Motor Vehicle Act after making an objective assessment on the actual requirement of the KSRTC taking into account all relevant factors including the fleet and staff strength and financial viability and forward the same to the Government at the earliest.

The above instructions will be subject to the decision of the Hon. High Court in the pending cases in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

Dr. V.M.GOPALA MENON I.A.S

Secretary to Government.

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