Transport Commissionerate, Kerala, Trans Towers, Thiruvananthapuram Dated: 01.07.2013

From

The Transport Commissioner, Thiruvananthapuram.

To

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

Sir,

Sub: Motor Vehicles Dept. -Clarification issued-removal of vehicle from the

State-refund of balance tax -reg:-

Ref: Note from Senior Deputy Transport Commissioner(Taxatjon)

As per Rule 15 A of Kerala Motor Vehicles Taxation Rules, 1975, vehicles such as motor cycles, motor cars etc. for which if one time tax is collected or tax is paid for 5 years, 10 years or 15 years period in lump, but if the vehicle is removed permanently from the State or the registration of the vehicle is cancelled during the currency of the tax so paid, the amount of tax to be refunded shall be the difference between the actual amount of tax paid and the amount calculated by multiplying the number of years for which the motor vehicle was actually used in this State by the rate of annual tax that prevailed on the date on which refund is applied for.

Such an assessment is inaccurate as the tax rates are enhanced over the years and the amount of annual tax so calculated will result in increase in the amount to be refunded. Calculation of annual tax on the basis of one time tax actually paid will be a better option. The Department has already taken up the matter with the Government for amending the above Rule.

In these circumstances, it is hereby instructed that the amount of tax to be refunded shall be the difference between the actual amount of tax paid and the amount calculated by multiplying the number of years for which the motor vehicle was actually used in the State by the proportionate yearly rate of the One time tax/lump sum tax already paid. For computing the period of usage, any broken period less than one year shall also be treated as one year.

Yours Faithfully

Senior Deputy Transport Commissioner (Tax)

For Transport Commissioner