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Head Office,
Motor Vehicles Department,
Thiruvananthapuram,
Dated 28.03.2003.

From

The Transport Commissioner,
Thiruvananthapuram.

To

All Deputy Transport Commissioners,
All Regional Transport Officers,
All Joint Regional Transport Officers
All Motor Vehicles Inspectors in Kerala.

Sir,

Sub: Motor Vehicles - Implementation of Rule 104 and 139 of CMV Rules -
Instructions issued - reg.

Ref: 1) Letter No.RT-11017/15/2000-MVL dated 2nd June 2002 of Government
of India, Ministry of Road Transport & Highways.
2) Letter No.RT/11038/Z/93-MVL dated 10th November 1993 of
Government of India (Ministry of Surface Transport).

Attention of All Regional Transport Officers/Joint Regional Transport Officers are
drawn to Government of India letters and the instructions issued by Transport
Commissioner.

As laid down in Rule 104 of CMV Rules a reflective paint of not less than 20 mm
width running across the width of the body shall be affixed/painted at the front and rear
of every goods carriage. As per reference 2nd cited Central Government had informed
that the reflective tape in front should be white and red at the rear of the vehicle. This
provision is made to ensure that goods carriages are visible at night as a result of the
reflection of the tape/paint. It has however been observed that these provisions of CMV
Rules, 1989 are not being strictly followed.

As per rule 138 (4) © of the Central Motor Vehicles Rule 1989, triangles of size
150 mm with red reflecting surface as per IS: 8339-1993 specified by Bureau of Indian
Standards for keeping in front and rear of the vehicle in case the vehicle is stranded on
the road have to be kept in the vehicle.

It is needless to say that the reflector as specified above will improve the
visibility of the vehicles and thereby reduce accident.

Therefore you are requested to ensure that the above rules are properly implemented in the interest of overall road safety.

Yours faithfully,
Sd/-
Transport Commissioner.

Approved for issue,

Senior Superintendent.

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