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Sub: Motor Vehicles Department - Establishment - Temporary Registration - Delegation of Powers to the Joint RTO (Administration) and Motor Vehicles Inspectors of Deputy Transport Commissioners/- Acceptance of Tax (Non Transport Vehicles) and Fees etc. in the Office of the Deputy Transport Commissioners - Detailed instructions issued -

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There has been fast increase in the vehicle population in Kerala particularly in the Cities of Thiruvananthapuram, Ernakulam, Kozhikode and Thrissur. The increase in the number of vehicles has brought considerable work load in the Regional Transport Offices especially in the area dealing with taxation and registration of vehicles. Though Sub Regional Transport Offices started functioning in Taluk levels, the work load in the Offices situated in City areas could not be reduced effectively. Besides, public who approach for services in the Offices often complain about delay in getting things done. To save time, people want services quickly. But as a matter of fact, the Staff strength in the Offices has not been increased commensurate with the number of vehicles. In order to lessen the burden of the Staff and to avoid public grievences, it is decided to shift some of the items of work now attended to in the Urban Regional Transport Offices to the Zonal Deputy Transport Commissioner's Offices.

2. In view of the above, Temporary Certificate of Registration, acceptance of tax in respect of Non-Transport vehicles, acceptance of fees for the services in the Offices of the Department etc. now attended to in the Regional Transport Offices should be dealt with in the Zonal Deputy Transport Commissioner's Offices of the respective areas also. Hence the following guidelines are issued:

Temporary Registration:

3.1. Rule 94 of K.M.V. Rules, 1989 read with Section 43 of the M.V.Act, 1988 deals with the grant of Temporary Certificate of Registration. The practice hitherto followed is that the Temporary Certificate of Registration in respect of a vehicle is issued by the Registering Authority of the respective jurisdiction. It is hereby directed that hereinafter the Registering Authority of Thiruvananthapuram, Ernakulam, Thrissur and Kozhikode should delegate the powers for the grant of Temporary Certificate of Registration to the Joint Regional Transport Officers (Administration) and Motor Vehicles Inspectors attached to the Deputy Transport Commissioner's Office of the respective Zones; viz, Thiruvananthapuram, Ernakulam, Thrissur and Kozhikode.

3.2. The Joint Regional Transport Officers (Administration) and Motor Vehicles Inspectors of the Deputy Transport Commissioner's Offices may grant and issue Temporary Certificate of Registration to the vehicles which are now being granted and issued in the respective Regional Transport Offices, subject to the rules and regulations governed for the purpose and as per the delegated powers under Rule 94 of K.M.V. Rules, 1989.

Acceptance of Fees:

4.1. Rule 403 of K.M.V. Rules, 1989 envisages that the fees under the M.V.Act and Rules, shall be remitted to any of the State treasuries or any of the offices of the Motor Vehicles Department where such facility is provided.

4.2. It is directed that fees for the services in the Offices of the Department shall also be accepted in all Deputy Transport Commissioner's Offices. The Deputy Transport Commissioners are directed that suitable arrangements should be made to accept the fees in their offices. For this purpose, a subsidiary Cash Book shall be maintained and the daily total should be brought in to the Main Cash Book of the Office. All relevant rules and regulations and administrative instructions in regard to the acceptance and remittance of fees should be observed scrupulously.