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The revised procedure for conduct of inspection of vehicles for renewal of certificate of fitness was ordered in the reference cited. With a view to set right certain irregular practices relating to this subject, the following instructions are issued.

(1) According to the provisions of Rule 105 (4) of K.M.V. Rules, 1989, the owner of a vehicle is allowed to produce the vehicle for inspection not less than one month before the date of expiry of the C.F.

This grace period is not meant for causing any disadvantage to the owner. But it is come to notice that when vehicles are produced well in advance (before the date of expiry of the certificate) renewal is done from the date of expir inspection. It is now ordered that in such cases irrespective of the date of inspection (prior to the date of expiry) the certificate will be renewed w.e.f. the day after the date of expiry of the certificate of fitness.

2) It is further come to notice that there is a misunderstanding that a vehicle issued with CFRR is not roadworthy until the certificate of fitness is renewed. It is clarified that CFRR does not have the intension/effect of CFX and that those vehicles which are produced for inspection (for renewal of C.F.) prior to the expiry of the certificate of fitness will continue to be roadworthy until the date of expiry notwithstanding the CFRR issued.

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(3) It is informed that certain officers are levying fine (as provided in K.M.V.Rule 105(5) in respect of vehicles issued with CFRR prior to the date of expiry of C.F. and produced for re-inspection after the date of expiry. This is an irregular practice. K.M.V.Rule 110 permits a vehicle owner to produce the vehicle for re-inspection on a date not beyond 14 days (from the date of CFRR). Therefore it is clarified that vehicles which are issued with CFRR prior to the date of expiry of C.F. and produced for re-inspection within 14 days (though after the date of expiry of the CF) will not be levied any fine on this ground.

It is expected that rigorous inspection of vehicles before the issue of C.F, care may be taken to ensure that vehicle owners are not harassed.

The receipt of this circular will be acknowledged.

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