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Public Works and Transport (M) Department

NOTIFICATIONS

G. O. (P) 59/89/PW&T. Dated, Trivandrum, 20th June 1989.

I

S. R. O. No. 1069/89.—In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (i) of sub-section (1) of section 43 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1939 (Central Act 4 of 1939), the Government of Kerala hereby make the following amendments to the directions issued in the notification G. O. (P) No. 1/87/PW&T dated the 5th January, 1987, published as S. R. O. No. 9/87 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No. 16 dated the 5th January 1987 and the notification G. O. (P) No. 29/89/PW&T dated the 7th April, 1989 published as S. R. O. No. 391/89 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No. 357 dated the 15th April, 1989 the same having been previously published as per notification No. 65234/M1/87 PW&T dated the 25th May, 1989 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No. 433 dated the 25th May, 1989 as required by the proviso to sub-section (1) of the said section, namely:

AMENDMENT

In the Notification G. O. (P) No. 1/87/PW&T dated the 5th January, 1987 published as S. R. O. No. 9/87 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No. 16 dated the 5th January, 1987.

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- (i) In Appendix I, after item 5, and the entries relating thereto the following item and the entries shall be inserted, namely:—  
 "6. Details of disability in the case of the blind, or the deaf and the dumb (to be certified by a Medical Officer not below the rank of an Assistant Surgeon in the Ophthalmologic or ENT branch of a recognised hospital as the case may be")
- (ii) In Appendix I, the existing items 6 and 7 shall be renumbered as items 7 and 8 respectively.

## II

In the Notification G. O. (P) No. 29/89/PW&T dated the 7th April, 1989, published as S.R.O. No. 591/89 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No. 557 dated the 15th April, 1989,—

- (i) In DIRECTIONS, for the existing direction in item 2 the following direction shall be substituted, namely:—

"The identity cards may be issued on the basis of the certificate of a Medical Officer not below the rank of an Assistant Surgeon in the Orthopaedic branch of a recognised hospital certifying that the applicant has not less than 50% (fifty per cent) disability, in case of the orthopaedically handicapped, and on the basis of certificate of a Medical Officer not below the rank of Assistant Surgeon in the Ophthalmologic or ENT branch of a recognised hospital in the case of the blind, the deaf and dumb, as the case may be";

- (ii) The existing Note under direction 3 shall be numbered as Note 1 and below the note so numbered the following shall be added, as Note 2, namely:—

"Note 2.—The terms the blind, the deaf, the dumb and the Orthopaedically handicapped means,—

- (a) the Blind:—

The Blind are those persons who suffer from any of the following conditions:—

- (a) total absence of sight;
- (b) visual acuity not exceeding 6/60 or 20/200 (Snellen) in the better eye with correcting lenses;
- (c) limitation of the field of vision subtending an angle of 20 degrees or worse;

- (b) the Deaf:—

The Deaf are those persons in whom the sense of hearing is non-functional for the ordinary purposes of life. Generally a loss of hearing of 70 decibels or above, and 1000 Hz frequency will constitute deafness.

(c) The Dumb:—

The Dumb are those in whom the power of speech is non-functional for the ordinary purpose of life.

(d) The Orthopaedically handicapped:—

The Orthopaedically handicapped are those persons who have a physical defect or deformity which causes an interference with the normal functioning of the bones, muscles and joints".

By order of the Governor,  
T. C. SREEDHARAN PILLAI,  
Joint Secretary to Government.

Explanatory Note

(This does not form part of the notification but is intended to indicate the general purport.)

The intention of the Government while issuing the notification in G.O. (P) No. 29/89 PW&T dated the 7th April 1989 was to provide relief to the blind, the deaf and the dumb in addition to the orthopaedically handicapped. The percentage of disability mentioned in the notification was also a mistake in the case of the blind, the deaf and the dumb. The definition of the terms of the blind, the deaf and dumb and the orthopaedically handicapped have also to be clarified. Hence this notification.

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