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GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Transport (B) Department

NOTIFICATION

G. O. (P) No. 38/2014/Tran.

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram,

19th May, 2014
5th Idavam, 1189.

S. R. O. No. 297/2014.—WHEREAS, representations have been received by the Government of Kerala from Kerala State Road Transport Corporation and various organizations representing the private stage carriage operators that, fares for stage carriages be revised in view of the rise in the price of diesel, and other factors which affect the operational cost since the last revision effected on 11th November, 2012;

AND WHEREAS, the Government after examining the demand referred the matter to the Justice Ramachandran Committee constituted vide G. O. (Ms.) 61/2010/Tran. dated 19th August, 2010, for advising the Government on fare revision among other things;

And Whereas, the Justice Ramachandran Committee submitted its report dated 12th December, 2013, after considering the hike in the price of diesel and other operational costs in the bus industry;

AND WHEREAS, the Kerala State Road Transport Corporation submitted a proposal related to the operation of multi axle services and fixation of fares of those services in the State;

AND WHEREAS, Government of Kerala after considering the report of the said Committee and all other aspects including the increase in cost of diesel and all other factors affecting the operational cost from the last fare revision which came into effect from 00.00 Hrs on 11th November 2012, satisfied that conditions have changed since the publication of the Notification issued under G. O. (P) No. 65/2012/Tran. dated 9th November, 2012 published as S.R.O. No.784/2012 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No. 1145 dated 9th November, 2012, and that it is necessary to modify the directions issued to the State Transport Authority by the said Notification.

Now, Therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (i) of subsection (1) of Section 67 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (Central Act 59 of 1988), and in modification of the directions issued in the said notification and in supersession of G. O. (P) 75/2013/Tran. dated 19th July, 2013, published as S.R.O. No. 564/2013 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No. 2122 dated 20th July, 2013, wherein the maximum distance that can be travelled on paying minimum fare in super class services of the Kerala State Road Transport Corporation viz. Super Express, Super Deluxe, High Tech A/c and Volvo were fixed, the Government of Kerala hereby direct the State Transport Authority and the Regional Transport Authorities in the State as follows:—

DIRECTIONS

The State Transport Authority or the Regional Transport Authorities, as the case may be, shall fix the rates of fares of the below mentioned categories of Stage Carriages in the State as follows, with effect from 00.00 hours on 20th day of May, 2014.

A. Rates of fares for the Roads in the Plains

In general, the basis for the rates of fares of various classes of Stage Carriage Services as per head per kilometer shall be as shown below, subject to clause D and E hereunder:—

| Sl. No | Classes of Stage Carriage Services | Fares |
|--------|---|---------|
| (1) | 2022897 200 110 110 110 120 (2) | (3) |
| (i) | Ordinary/Mofussil Services including City/Town Services | 64 Ps. |
| (ii) | City Fast Services | 68 Ps. |
| (iii) | Fast Passenger/Limited Stop Fast Passenger Services | 68 Ps. |
| (iv) | Super Fast Services | 72 Ps. |
| (v) | Super Express Services | 77 Ps. |
| (vi) | Super Deluxe/Semi Sleeper Services | 90 Ps. |
| (vii) | Luxury/High Tech and Air conditioned Services | 110 Ps. |
| (viii) | Volvo Services | 130 Ps. |

Stage Carriages issued with Express Permits also shall collect fares applicable to Sl. No. (iv) above.

B. Rates of fares for Ghat Roads

The rates of fares for various classes of services payable for Ghat roads shall be enhanced by 25% of the rates payable for the respective classes of services on roads on the plains specified in clause A above.

C. Flexi Charge

Kerala State Road Transport Corporation Director Board is permitted to charge a lower fare up to 15% of existing fare in the interstate services for Super Express and other upper class services above Super Express Services in lean season when passenger travel is less and also to charge a higher fare up to 10 % of existing fare in interstate Super Express and upper class services above Super Express service, during the peak seasons (The peak seasons are April, May, August, September, November, December and January and lean seasons are February, March, June, July and October).

D. Season Tickets

Kerala State Road Transport Corporation is permitted to issue Season Tickets to regular passengers for one month or its multiples allowing concession for 25% of the regular fare. The passenger can avail of the facility for the entire days in a month. The Season Tickets shall be issued on selected routes by Kerala State Road Transport Corporation. Season Tickets affixing photo of the passenger shall be issued to avoid misuse.

E. Minimum Fares

The minimum fares for which a ticket will be issued in various classes of services shall be as follows, irrespective of the distance travelling:—

| Sl. No | . Classes of Stage Carriage Services | Fares (in ₹) |
|--------|---|-----------------|
| (i) | Ordinary/Mofussil Services including City/Town Services | 7.00 |
| (ii) | City Fast Services | 7.00 |
| (iii) | Fast Passenger/Limited Stop Fast Passenger Services | 10.00 |
| (iv) | Super Fast Services | 13.00 |
| (v) | Super Express Services | 20.00 |
| (vi) | Super Deluxe/Semi Sleeper Services | 28.00 |
| (vii) | Luxury/High-tech and Air conditioned Services | 40.00 |
| (viii) | Volvo Services | 40.00 |

The maximum distance that can be travelled in a minimum fare of ₹ 7 for Ordinary/Mofussil services including City/Town services shall be fixed as 5 km. and in a minimum fare of ₹ 10.00 for Fast Passenger/Limited Stop Fast Passenger services shall be fixed as 5 km. and in a minimum fare of ₹ 13.00 for the Super Fast services shall be fixed as 10 km. and in a minimum fare of ₹ 20.00 for the Super Express services shall be fixed as 10 km. and in a minimum fare of ₹ 28.00 for the Super Deluxe/Semi Sleeper services shall be fixed as 15 km. and in a minimum fare of ₹ 40.00 for the Luxury/High-tech and Air Conditioned services shall be fixed as 20 km. and in a minimum fare of ₹ 40.00 for the Volvo services shall be fixed as 20 km.

F. Fixation of Fares

In respect of routes where fare stages have already been fixed, such fare stages shall be retained without changes. However, for the purpose of calculation the distance between two stages will be taken generally as 2.5 kilometres for Ordinary/Mofussil City/City Fast Passenger/Town Services, since the fare stages are generally fixed not only on the consideration of distance, but also taking into consideration factors like importance of places and convenience of passengers.

G. Calculation of Fares

Over and above the minimum distance, fares will be calculated at the existing PER KM. rate rounding off the fraction to the nearest rupee, to the lower rupee when the fraction is between 1 and 49 paise and to the next higher rupee when the fraction is between 50 and 99 paise. The PER KM. rates are to be applied over and above the minimum fare and excluding the maximum distance that can be travelled in a minimum fare. For example, for a distance of 10 kms, the fare of ₹ 7.00 will apply for a distance of first 5 kms, and for the rest of the distance i.e., next 5 kms., the existing rate of 64 paise per km. will apply. Thus the fare for the second 5kms. will be ₹ 3.20. This shall be added to the minimum fare of $\stackrel{?}{\sim}$ 7.00 and the total amount of $\stackrel{?}{\sim}$ 10.20 shall be rounded to ₹ 10.00. In the case of Fast Passenger services and Super Fast services, over and above the minimum fare, PER KM. fare at the revised rate shall be charged rounding the fraction to next higher rupee. In the case of Super Express, over and above the minimum fare, PER KM, fare at the revised rate shall be charged rounding the fraction to next higher multiple of 5 and in respect of all other higher classes of services over and above the minimum fare, PER KM. fare at the revised rate shall be charged rounding the fraction to next higher multiple of 10.

H. Fare during approved Festival Occasions

In respect of services operated in connection with the festival occasions mentioned in the schedule, the operators may realise 30% of the rates in addition to the rates of fares fixed for the respective class of services.

I. Students Concession

The conditions for granting students concession and students concession fares as ordered in G. O. (P) 65/2012/Tran. dated 9th November, 2012 shall continue to be in force until further orders.

Schedule [See Clause (H)]

| Sl. No. | Name of Festival | Period/Month | No. of Days | |
|------------|------------------------------|------------------|----------------|--|
| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | |
| 1 | Ambalappuzha Temple Festival | March/April | 3 | |
| 2 | Arat at Ettumanoor | February/March | 3 | |
| 3 | Arat at Thiruvananthapuram | October/November | 1 | |
| 4 | Arat at Thiruvananthapuram | March/April | 1 | |
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| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) |
|-----|--|--|-----|
| 5 | Arat at Thirunakkara, Kottayam | March | 1 |
| 6 | Arthunkal Church Festival | January/February | 4 |
| 7 | Ashtami at Vaikom | November/December | 3 |
| 8 | Athirampuzha Church Festival | January/February | 2 |
| 9 | Beemapally Mosque Festival | October/November | 5 |
| 10 | Edathua Church Festival | April/May | 5 |
| 11 | Recognised Exhibitions at various places | For the period of duration of exhibition | |
| 12 | Guruvayur Ekadasi | January/February | 3 |
| 13 | Harippad Utsavam | April/May | 3 |
| 14 | Kanichukulangara Temple Festival | February/March | 2 |
| 15 | Kollengode Thookkam | March/April | 3 |
| 16 | Kumarakoil Thrikkalyanam | March/April | 3 |
| 17 | Makaravilakku at Sabarimala | January | 25 |
| 18 | Malayattur Church Festival | March/April | 8 |
| 19 | Mandakkattu Kodai | February/March | 10 |
| 20 | Mandalapooja at Sabarimala | November/December | 55 |
| 21 | Manjanikkara Church Festival | February | 2 |
| 22 | Mannarasala Ayilyam | October/November | 3 |
| 23 | Maramon Convention | February | 8 |
| 24 | Meena Bharani at Kodungalloor | March/April | 7 |
| 25 | Mullakkal Temple Festival | December/January | 3 |
| 26 | Oachira 12 Light Festival | November | 13 |
| 27 | Cherthala Pooram | March/April | 2 |
| 28 | Sivagiri Theerthadanam | December/January | 4 |
| 29 | Sivarathri at Aluva | January/February | 3 |
| 30 | Veli Church Festival | March/April | 2 |
| 31 | Vettucadu Church Festival | March/April | 1 |
| 32 | Vishu at Kulathuppuzha | April | 2 |
| 33 | Thrissur Pooram | April/May | 3 |

| | (2) | (3) | (4) |
|----|--|------------------|---------------------|
| 34 | Irinjalakuda Utsavam | April/May | 5 |
| 35 | Thriprayar Ekadasi | December/January | vo0 2 |
| 36 | Thalassery Jaganatha Temple Festival | March | 2 |
| 37 | Kannampara Vela | May/June | 2 |
| 38 | Kottiyoor Festival | May/June | obub ² o |
| 39 | Kottarakara Ganapathi Temple Utsavam | April/May | 11 |
| 40 | Attukal Ponkala Festival | February/March | 11 |
| 41 | Karkkidaka Vavu | July/August | 2 |
| 42 | Nehru Trophy Boat Race, Alappuzha | August/September | 2 |
| 43 | St. Mary Magdaelana's Church, Pallithura | September | 3 |
| 44 | Festival at St. Mary's Church, Makkapuzha | September | 2 |
| 45 | Marthoma Convention at Kottarakkara | Yanna (D.) | |
| 46 | Ayroor Cherukolpuzha Hindu | January/February | 8 |
| | Matha Convention | February | 8 |
| 17 | Sree Velliyoorkavu Temple Festival | March | 16 |
| 8 | Kuthiyottam Festival of Nedumangad | March | 16 |
| 9 | Festival at St. Mary's Church, Thankey | March | 1 |
| 0 | Kannamaly Church Festival | March | 2 |
| 1 | Meena Bharani Festival at Sarkara | April | 1 |
| | Devi Temple | - Prin | 3 |
| | Medavishu at Sabarimala | April | 10 |
| I | Festival at Chandanapally Church | May | 10 |

This notification shall come into force on the 20th day of May, 2014.

By order of the Governor, Dr. V. M. GOPALA MENON, Secretary to Government.

Explanatory Note

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

Government have decided to enhance the fare rates of stage carriages in the State taking into account of the increase in price of diesel and other factors which affect the operational costs of stage carriages and the scientific study conducted by Justice Ramachandran Committee constituted vide G. O. (Ms.) No. 61/2010/Tran. dated 19th August, 2010, for advising Government on fare revision among other allied matters in the transport sector.

This notification is intended to achieve the above object.