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Police Headquarters, Thiruvananthapuram Dated. 07-05-2015

Circular No. 11/2015

Sub:- Kerala Police - Proper maintenance of dept Vehicles- Guidelines issued - reg.

Ref:- 1. PHQ Circular No.19/2013 Dated: 19.07.2013

2. PHQ Circular No.25/2014 Dated: 20.10.2014

3. PHQ Circular No.0512015 Dated: 13.02.2015

4. No.R2/59548/2014/PHQ Dated: 27.06.2014

Kind attention is invited to the Subject and reference cited. The Addl. DGP, South Zone conducted an enquiry regarding the accident occurred at Ezhamkulam in Adoor P S limit on 24.02.2015 in which three local people were killed by a Police Bus of AR Camp Pathanamthitta. It is reported that Driver SCPO 212,

Sri Muhammed Shaji of AR Pathanamthitta was under the influence of alcohol while driving the Bus and, this was the cause of the accident He also reported that supervision of Motor Transport Section of the most of the Districts are not the desirable level and DPC should pay special attention to the functioning of MT Section. Police Personnel without proper authorization including Home Guards are also driving dept. vehicles. Random checking of Police Drivers for consumption of alcohol during duty Hours should be conducted. In this circumstance the following instructions are issued for compliance by all concerned.

- 1. DPC/CMT/SP should conduct at least one surprise inspection of the MT office in every three months and submit the report to SPC and concerned ADGP.
- 2. ADGP/1GP Ranges should depute a team for the thorough inspection of MT offices in their Zone/Range and submit the report to SPC within six Months, also ensure that DPCs/CMTs/SPs are strictly following the PHQ directions regarding MT Wing.

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- 3. Officer in Charge of AR Camp/DC BN/DySP Special unit should ensure that drivers are not performing duty under the influence of alcohol. They should conduct surprise inspection of vehicles/barracks/MT workshop and monitor drivers those who are habitual consuming alcohol. Also direct MTO/BTO to conduct surprise checking of Drivers for consumption of alcohol. Any untoward incident happens in this regard will be viewed very serious and it is observed that supervisory lapse from the part of the above officers.
- 4. DySP Special Branch of the concerned Police District should conduct surprise inspection of AR camp vehicles, Drivers Barracks and MT Workshops in every month. They should also conduct random checking of Police drivers for consumption of alcohol in duty hours. Monthly inspection report should be submitted to DPC & SPC. DC BN should conduct such inspections in Battalions and submit monthly inspection report to SPC, ADGP AP BN & CMT. SPs in Special units should depute one DySP to conduct similar inspections and DySP should submit monthly inspection report to SPC, ADGP & SP.
- 5. DIG KEPA should conduct surprise inspection of MT office and dept. vehicles in KEPA (including driving school vehicles) every month and submit the report to the IGP KEPA & SPC.
- 6. DYSP (MT) of the concerned Zone should conduct surprise inspection of at least two MT units in their jurisdiction every month and submit the report to Unit Head, SPC and SP MT. They should also conduct surprise inspection of dept. vehicles with its vehicle diaries and random checking of Police Drivers for consumption of alcohol. Ensure that vehicle diaries are maintained according to the PHQ Directions. SP MT should also conduct surprise inspections of MT offices/dept vehicles. MTO & concerned DySP (MT) should be liable for the poor maintenance of dept. vehicles by the allotted officers/charge drivers.
- 7. ADGP SZ & NB IGP Kochin Range/CMT IR SN & SP MT PHQ will ensure that DYSPs (MT) is strictly following the above directions.
- 8. Due to the acute shortage of drivers in Police dept. we are forced to depute Police personnel having valid driving license and requisite driving skills to drive Light Motor vehicles with the permission issued by immediate supervisory officer. On the basis, all police personnel and en home guards those have valid driving license are driving dept vehicles without proper authorization or permission issued by supervisory officers. Home Guards should not be appointed to drive dept vehicles. Here onwards, DPC/CMT/SP is the authority to issue permission to drive dept

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vehicles after obtaining report of the proficiency test conducted DySP (MT)/ MTI. Driving License Register and Eye Test Register of such drivers should be maintained in MT office of the concerned District/Unit.

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