

ANDHRA PRADESH STATE ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION

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Office of the VC&MD
HYDERABAD-20

CIRCULAR No.38/2003-MED, Dt.24.12.2003

SUB:SPEED LIMITS:- Relaxation of Speed limits on
Ordinary Buses instruction issued - Reg.

REF:1. Cir.No.27/2000-OPD(T), Dt.19.09.2000.
2. Cir.No.13/2002-MED, Dt.13.08.2002.

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Through Circular cited at reference 2, the speed limit on all special type of buses has been totally relaxed in view of extensive training programs conducted at all regions on Momentum mode driving technology to obtain highest possible HSD KMPL. According to this concept, the momentum of a bus is to be utilised by the driver to obtain high HSD KMPL. Unless the driver attains high speed within the shortest possible time, the momentum of the speeding bus cannot be utilised to obtain the desired fuel efficiency.

Vide Circular cited at reference 1, the speed limit on ordinary buses has been fixed at 60 Kmph in view of need for frequent stoppages at stages which are 5 Kms apart and also to enable passengers to Hail & board the Ordinary buses in between stages. Further there was an apprehension that increased speeds may lead to increase in accident rate.

During the recent meeting of EDs & HODs held with VC & MD, it was decided to relax the speeds on ordinary buses also since it was felt that the control of speed of bus has to be done by the driver himself according to the road conditions and speed locking should not be done by any mechanical means. The driver should be given the benefit of utilising the full speed of bus to gain maximum momentum as per Momentum based driving technology and achieve highest possible HSD KMPL and at the same time maintain punctuality of services.

In view of the above, the existing speed limit of 60 Kmph imposed on ordinary buses is totally relaxed and there shall be no locking of speeds on all ordinary buses apart from special type of buses.

All the DMs are, therefore instructed to ensure that speed locking on all ordinary buses is dispensed immediately. The Drivers in the depot should be educated on the total relaxation of speeds by explaining about the Momentum mode driving technology and need to maintain punctuality of services.

All the DVMS and RMs are advised to ensure implementation of the circular instructions scrupulously at all depots in their jurisdiction and send a compliance report on the same by 20.01.2004 positively.

All ED(Zones) are advised to review the progress of implementation of above circular instructions at the depots in the Zones.

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MANAGING DIRECTOR