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SUB: GENERAL BUS TICKETS:- Restructuring of issue of General Bus Tickets (GBTs) throughout the month - Instructions issued.

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General Bus Tickets (GBTs) are issued to the commuters of Hyderabad, Secunderabad (Twin Cities) Vijayawada, Visakhapatnam and Warangal Cities, at concessional tariff, which reduces workload of service conductors to a great extent during peak hours and also facilitates collection of revenues in advance.

As of now, these General Bus tickets are issued only during specified dates in a month. To illustrate: They are issued/renewed only upto 6th of the Month at bus pass sections in Twin cities. If any person desires to obtain a GBT after 6th of the month, it will be issued but with a validity only upto 5th of the next month. Further, if GBT Holder fails to renew Ticket within the due date, it is being renewed collecting an extra amount of Rs.4/- as service charges besides the condition of validity. On a survey, it is revealed that these conditions are counter-productive and Commuter un-friendly.

Changing external environment such as influxing number of vans and steering diesel auto rickshaws making in road into Twin Cities, Vijayawada, Visakhapatnam and Warangal, passengers are getting attracted to these modes resulting in drop in occupancy in our city buses. In view of the changing scenario, there is a need to restructure our systems wherever possible. One of the measures suggested is to sell General Bus Tickets all through the month with validity for one month.

Therefore the following relaxations are permitted:

- 1) The General Bus Tickets can be purchased/renewed on any day in the month with validity of 30 days from the date of issue.
- 2) There is no need to collect service charges in case of late renewals.

These relaxations are applicable for General Bus Tickets issued to the general public but not to the concessional GBT's like Students GBT's and NGO-GBT's etc.

These relaxations will come into force with effect from 1-2-1999 and will be in force upto 31-7-1999 i.e., for a period of six months on experimental basis. Later on the matter will be reviewed taking into consideration of the effects of this change.