

ANDHRA PRADESH STATE ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION

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Office of the VC & MD
Musheerabad, Hyderabad.CIRCULAR NO:19/2000-OPD-T DATED: 10-07-2000.

SUB:-SPECIAL DRIVE: Special drive by the Transport Department ~~to clear enroute traffic~~ - Operation of additional services / trips to clear enroute traffic - Regarding.

REF:-Meeting convened by Hon'ble Minister for Transport on 5th & 6th July, 2000.

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Hon'ble Minister for Transport has convened a meeting involving Transport and RTC Officials in his chambers on 5th and 6th July 2000. Having heard the views from both sides, he has directed the officials of Transport Department to take up a continuous drive to check all sorts of violations of permit conditions and other stipulations of M.V.Act such as:

- a) Lorries and such other goods carriages carrying passengers.
- b) Maxicabs, jeeps, vans, TATA-407, TATA sumos, diesel autos, steering autos and such contract carriages plying unauthorisedly as stage carriages.
- c) Taxi-cabs and other contract carriages permit holding vehicles carrying passengers over and above permitted capacity.
- d) Stage carriage permit holding vehicles violating permit conditions and plying on unauthorised routes/overshooting the permitted route etc.
- e) Driving passenger vehicles without valid licence etc.

While the Transport Department was asked to take up this drive from 17/07/2000, the APSRTC was instructed to ply adequate number of buses to meet the additional demand so generated and take measures to give no room for public outcry on the grounds of inadequacy, infrequency, non-stopping or non picking of passengers etc.

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In compliance with the directive of Hon'ble Minister the following action plan was drawn:

- i) An educative campaign would be taken up by the Transport Department to educate the owners of private vehicles and also the public from 8th July, 2000 onwards on the evils of violations of M.V. Act and its adverse effects on the safety of passengers.
- ii) Pamphlets will be distributed on the need to avoid carrying overloads in steering autos, contract carriages and such other motor vehicles.
- iii) Notices will be served to the owners of private vehicles as an advance intimation to avoid overloads and unauthorised plying of vehicles from 17th July, 2000 onwards.
- iv) The Transport Department would sensitise their enforcement staff to feel the responsibility and carry out the checking vigorously. They would deploy 25% of enforcement personnel available in each district for this purpose.
- v) Seperate staff would be deployed to check TATA-407s in Ananthapur District and All India Tourist Vehicles.
- vi) It was also decided to cancel the permits/driving licences if the lorries are found carrying passengers illegally.

It was pointed out by some officials of Transport Department that the passengers disembarked from lorries were not picked up by RTC buses on national/ state highways during the previous drives either by way of not stopping the bus or on the plea that their vehicle is a special type service.

APSRTC officials reassured the Minister and Transport Department Officials that they will take all possible measures to avert such complaints.

The Transport and APSRTC officials have agreed not to blame each other on petty issues.

It was also agreed that this will be a regular drive and not a special drive. Regular drive preventing passengers travelling on lorries, overloads in steering autos, illegal transportation of passengers in maxi-cabs, jeeps, vans, TATA-407s and contract carriages operating as stage carriages etc., will commence from 17th July, 2000.

The following instructions are therefore issued for strict compliance:

1. The Regional Managers and Deputy Chief Traffic Managers are advised to meet the RTOs/DTCs before 17th July, 2000 to discuss and identify the sectors on which the drive is proposed to be organised and number of additional trips/buses need to be planned for clearance of traffic.
2. Operate all scheduled services regularly and punctually. Additional trips/services be planned wherever the traffic movement is high. Passengers travelling on top of buses shall be strictly avoided and there shall not be any room for complaints in this aspect.
3. Traffic Supervisors/Controllers be deployed at important points to move about and oversee the clearance of disembarked passengers in APSRTC buses.
4. The disembarked passengers either from lorries or other vehicles (autos, jeeps, vans etc.) be allowed to travel even in Express buses particularly on national/ state highways in case ordinary buses are not immediately available at that moment to avoid inconvenience to the passengers.
5. The Regional Managers and Dy.Chief Traffic Managers and Depot Managers should move frequently on line and ensure smooth clearance of stranded passengers. They should also plan and operate adequate number of shuttle services on assessing the need enroute. They are also advised to extend full co-operation to the officials of Transport Department to carry out the drive.
6. The crew must be informed personally that Transport Department is organising the drive in

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the interest of the Organisation to earn more revenues and it is our bounden duty to see that all buses are stopped whenever and wherever disembarked passengers hail their hands. Disciplinary action should be initiated in cases of non-compliance. These instructions shall be exhibited in notice boards of Bus Depots.

7. The departure/arrival timings of services shall be exhibited at all bus stations/bus stops and timing boards in all buses for the benefit of passengers.
8. Executive Director of Zones are directed to review the plan of action and its implementation from time to time to avoid any inconvenience to the passengers.
9. Send a detailed report on the impact of special drive daily in the proforma enclosed (PART-"A" & "B") by 15.00 Hrs., on the next day without fail.

Please acknowledge.

K. A. S. S. S.
 VICE-CHAIRMAN &
 MANAGING DIRECTOR.

To

All Executive Directors of Zones.
 All Regional Managers.
 All Depot Managers.

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Copy to: ED(MIS) and CE(IE & Computers) for inf.& n/a.

Copy to: All Dy.CTMs in Regions/Zones for information & necessary action.

Copy to: CSTO/Head Office for information & n/action.

Copy to: ATM/H.E.S., Musheerabd, Hyd., for infan. & necessary action.

Copy to: P.S., to Hon'ble Minister for Transport for favour of information.