

ANDHRA PRADESH STATE ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION

No.R3/287(68)/2001-OPD-T

Office of the VC & MD,
Mushirabad, Hyderabad.CIRCULAR NO. 63/2001-OPD-T, DATED: 22-11-2001.

SUB:-DOUBLE DRIVER SYSTEM: Discontinuance of providing double drivers - Issue of instructions.

REF:-Minutes of meeting of EDs/RMs/HODs with VC & MD held on 07/08-10-2001 at Corporate Office.

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Operation of long distance services with double drivers is in practice for the last several years. This system was earlier adopted for the services operating on Inter-State long distance routes as providing accommodation for change over crew at enroute points in other States became difficult. Subsequently, the system is also implemented on some of the intra-state long distance routes, resulting in, low productivity of crew, mainly drivers and blocking two to three seats for 2nd driver thereby depriving the facility of occupying front seats by the fare paying passengers and resultant loss of earnings and also conversing with co-driver causing disturbance to the passengers, besides receipt of a number of complaints.

Above subject was discussed in detail during EDs/RMs/HODs meeting held on 7th and 8th October-2001 at corporate office. A decision was taken to discontinue the double driver system on all the services operating on long distance routes, except services operating on inter-state routes where the length of the route is more in other states and providing rest rooms / change over system becomes difficult.

It is directed that:

- a. All types of long distance services including night services shall be operated with only single driver instead of Double Drivers with an average steering duty of 7 hours;
- b. crew change overs be provided for all services as far as possible;
- c. the existing practice of providing double drivers with specific approval from Corporate Office for inter-state routes where provision of rest room or change over points is not possible can be continued.

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It is therefore directed to take action to discontinue the double driver system on all long distance services by arranging necessary crew change overs at enroute places, except on some of the Inter-State long distance services where major portion of route length lies in other State. In such cases where it is inevitable to provide double-drivers, Regional Managers have to process note (with consolidated list of services of all Depots of the Region) along with justification and full details like route-map, point to point distances, existing crew productivity in terms of hours and kilometres, the economics of each service etc., to give approval from Corporate office.

Executive Directors of Zones shall examine the justification and forward the cases to Head Office for approval of the competent authority.

All Regional Managers are therefore advised to implement in despatching with the double drivers on all the long distance services immediately without any deviation.

The exercise should be completed by 31-12-2001.

Please acknowledge and report compliance by 31st January-2002.

Sd/-R.P.SINGH, IPS.,
VICE-CHAIRMAN &
MANAGING DIRECTOR.

To

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

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All EDs/HODs in Corporate Office for information.
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All Secretaries to EDs of Zones for information.

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