

ANDHRA PRADESH STATE ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION

No.C4/2(24)/2012-OPD(C)

O/o the VC & MD,
MSRD, Hyd-624,

Circular No.28/2012-OPD(C), Dt. 11.07.2012

Sub:**BREATH ALCOHOLIC ANALYSERS** - Utilisation of Breath Alcoholic Analysers at Depots, Bus stations and by all Enforcement Squads - Instructions- Reg

Ref: (1) Circular No. 14/2008 - OPD(C), Dt. 06.06.2008.
(2) Circular No. 42/2003 - OPD(C), Dt. 05.06.2003.

On review of the accidents that occurred during the year 2011-12, it is observed that 899 fatal accidents occurred resulted in the death of the 150 bus passengers and 874 other road users besides a financial burden of Rs 68.01 cr to the Corporation by way of payment of compensation. It has been established that most of these accidents occurred on account of negligence on the part of our drivers.

Further, instances have come to the notice of this office that some of the drivers are consuming alcohol at enroute points and driving the buses resulting in serious fatal and major accidents.

With a view to curb drunken driving, Breath Alcoholic Analyzers have been supplied to all Depots, Major Bus stations and all Enforcement squads to conduct tests to detect drivers under the influence of alcohol while on duty.

Instructions were also issued vide circulars cited to subject all drivers to Breath analyser test while proceeding on duty i.e., at the originating point and as well as online.

Despite clear instructions, it is observed that breath analyser tests are not being conducted in true spirit and in some of the Depots the breath analysers are not even in working condition.

Therefore, the following instructions are once again issued for strict compliance:

1. All the Field Managers shall ensure the availability of Breath Alcoholic Analysers in working condition at all Depots, at important Bus Stations and also with all Enforcement squads. Immediate action may also be taken to replace or repair, if not in working condition.
2. All the Drivers (especially special type) shall be subjected to Breath Analyser tests at the Depot (while proceeding to duty) or at the originating bus station of the Depot.
3. **Depot Supervisors at Bus Station and Enforcement Squad personnel shall conduct breath analyser test on at least 10 drivers (especially of special type long distance services) during night time and 5 drivers during day time including Hire bus drivers too.**

4. The person who conducts Breath analyser test shall make an entry with the details like: time of check, date, place and name and designation of the checking official in the log sheet and obtain the signature of the Driver in the concerned register to be maintained for the purpose.
5. The Field Managers / Bus Station Managers shall make surprise checks at changeover points and rest rooms regularly to avoid consumption of alcohol in rest rooms and enroute points like dhabas etc.
6. The Depot Managers shall identify the drivers who are addicted to drugs, alcohol, etc., and counsel them personally in the presence of their family members and explain the consequences of such addiction.
7. The checking officials of all Enforcement squads should exercise enroute checks on drivers with breath analysers.
8. Officers and Supervisors shall hold gate meetings or interact with the staff in groups to educate and enlighten the drivers in particular on the ill effects of alcoholism on their health.
9. The RMs / Dy. CTMs shall check the registers maintained, during their inspections of Depots/ Bus stations.

All the Field Managers are advised to follow the above instructions scrupulously and any violation shall be viewed seriously.


VICE CHAIRMAN &
MANAGING DIRECTOR

To
All Regional Managers
All Depot Managers,
A.P.S.R.T.C.

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