

## ANDHRA PRADESH STATE ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION

Operations (PLG) Department, RTC House-Vijayawada.

P9/359(42)/2022-OPD(P)

01.11.2023

To
The Executive Directors (Zones) &
All District Public Transport Officers,
A.P.S.R.T.C.

Sub: **Hiring** – Extension of agreement of hire buses whose agreement period conclude from 31.12.2023 to June 2024 on different dates including all extensions, till 30.06.2024 –Instructions issued - Reg.

Ref: 1. Lr. Nos. P9/359(42)/2022-OPD(P) Dt. 30.12.2022 & 18.05.2023 2. Lr. No. OP3/462(hire)/2022/-MED Dt.30.12.2022

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Vide reference 1<sup>st</sup> cited above, instructions were issued to extend the agreement period of hire buses up to 31.12.2023, whose total tenure expiring from July 2022 onwards, duly excluding the buses issued with NoC, subject to fitness of the vehicles and with valid insurance.

Further, the tenure of 233 hire buses is concluding from Jan 2024 to Jun 2024, after completion of previously given one year extension. Replacing these agreement completed hire buses will take time.

After careful examination of the issue in detail, it is felt that there is a need for extension of the hire buses in order to operate sufficient number of buses in the ensuing festival season and peak summer. The competent authority has accorded approval for extension of hire buses till 30.06.2024 with the following conditions:

- To extend the tenure of hire buses (including the buses whose agreement period extended earlier up to 31.12.2023 vide Lr. No. P9/359(42)/2022-OPD-P Dt.18.05.2023) whose total agreement period conclude including all extensions from 31.12.2023 to June 2024 on different dates, till 30.06.2024, excluding the buses issued with NoC, subject to fitness of the vehicles and with valid statutory documents.
- This extension of agreement is valid only for those hire buses whose agreement period including one year extension with reduced rates expires before 30.06.2024 only.
- 3. The agreement period may be extended subject to ensuring proper fitness of the PHBs by the Depot level committees concerned as per the inspection proforma communicated vide reference 2<sup>nd</sup> cited and subject to submission of willingness by the owner for operation of bus during the extended period.

- 4. The prevailing hire rate at the time of expiry of agreement (rate was already reduced for one-year extended period) will be applicable for the extended period also, allowing HSD rate revisions only.
- A fresh agreement shall be entered between the owner of the PHB and DPTO concerned for the extended period of agreement.
- The right to cancel the above stated agreement for the extended period of operation up to Jun 2024 lies with the Corporation
- The change of route of operation is not applicable during the extended period of agreement.
- 8. NoC shall be issued for those hire buses, for which the owners submitted Unwillingness. Outstanding dues, if any, shall be recovered and to ensure the surrender of permit duly following the procedure in vogue.
- The details of all the hire buses eligible for extension along with his/her willing/unwilling, Hire Bus No., Depot, Notification, Type, Route, VU, expiry of agreement period etc., shall be furnished to this office by 15.11.2023.

Therefore, it is advised to take necessary action on the above lines.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (0)

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