GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT

No. 144/TD/KTO-HQ/Cir/2021-22

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CIRCULAR

Sub: TD - RTO (HQ) -Change of Registration Category for "Self - propelled Combine Harvester" in VAHAN portal for Category (engine power, P, kW) between 37 and 560 KW- Communication - Regarding.

Ref:Letter No: RT-11036/10/2022-MVL, dated 21-01-2022of the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MVL Section), New Delhi.

The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MVL Section), New Delhi has communicated a lettervide reference cited. Therein, the Ministry has notified the G.S.R 598 (E), dated30-09-2020 for the nomenclature in respect of CEVs (Construction Equipment Vehicles) and TREM (Agriculture Equipment) were separated and the timeline were also indicated. The Combined Harvester was included in the list of agriculture equipment, as indicated inRule 2(ca) of Central Motor Vehicles Rule, 1989 and it is also pertinent to mentioned that the emission norms in the engine power category between 37 and 560 KW for "Bharat Stage III (CEV)" and TREM Stage – III A" were exactly the same.

Rule 2 (ca): "combine harvester means an agricultural equipment vehicle, selfpropelled or agricultural tractor powered type (either coupled to the trailer for header assembly or any other attachment of the machine) designed to perform more than one of the following tasks namely: -

- (i) Picking, harvesting, threshing, separating, cleaning, chopping, collecting and unloading crop or agricultural produce, such as a grain, sugarcane, cotton, fodder, straw or stalk, while moving through the standing crop or agricultural produce;
- (ii) Agreement of bagging with a pick-up attachment to use it for handling crop that has been swathed.

Explanation. - For the purpose of these clause, a combine harvester shall be a non-transport motor vehicle, the driving on the road of which is incidental to the main intended use in the fields and for travelling from one field to another, for short durations, at a speed not exceeding thirty kilometre per hour;]

Due to implementation of CEV Stage - IV norms being effective from 01" April 2021 and registration being allowed till 30th Nov 2021. "Self - propelled Combine Harvester" manufactures were unable to upload the new inventory and initiate sales via VAHAN portal. On implementation of the notification G.S.R 598 (E) dated 30.09.2020 in this letter and spirit through VAHAN portal on immediate basis as per SOP (Appendix A) devised through stakeholder consultation to streamline the implementation through VAHAN.

The SOP for implementation of G.S.R 598 (E) dated 30.09.2020 for self - propelled Combined Harvesters in consultation with Stakeholder during meetings dated 18 & 19-01-2022 (Appendix - A) is as follows:-

The matter was reviewed in consultation with the stakeholders and it has been decided that:

- ✓ The "self-propelled Combine Harvester" manufacturers who have already uploaded theinventory of harvesters with emission norms as BS-111 (CEV) shall apply for "RequestChange" option in the portal for change in emission norms from "Bharat Stage III (CEV)" to "TREM Stage-III A" and category from "C" for Construction Equipment Vehicles to "A" for Agriculture Tractor.
- ✓ The "self-propelled Combine Harvester" inventory which is yet to be uploaded, will beupload with emission norms "TREM Stage-III/IV A" as the case may be.
- 2. In this regard, it is hereby informed that, all the Registering Authorities / Assistant Registering Authorities of this department shall make note of the above communication and act accordingly.

//By Order//

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To

1. The Regional Transport Officer, Puducherry/Oulgaret/Karaikal.

2. The Programmer, Transport Department, Puducherry -to upload in the Department website

3. The Motor Vehicles Inspector, Regional Transport Unit Office, Villanur/Bahour/Mahe/Yanam

4. The PA to Transport Commissioner, Puducherry.