

GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT

No. 115/TD/RTO-HQ/2021

Dated 20-04-2021.

CIRCULAR

Sub: TD - RTO (HQ) - Advisory in view of rising Covid - 19 cases across the nation
Ease of Medical Oxygen Supply - Reg.

Ref: Letter No. RT - 23018/33/2021-T, dated 12-04-2021 of the Ministry of Road
Transport & Highways (Transport Section), New Delhi.

The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, New Delhi has issued advisory vide reference cited, regarding fulfill the demands and facilitate the availability of Medical Oxygen due to manifold raise in COVID - 19 cases at hospitals.

The certain issues have been brought to the notice of the Ministry regarding, the problems faced by certain Transport vehicles operators in the carriage, transportation and delivery of Oxygen Cylinder or Oxygen Tanks across the States or within a State and that is oxygen is an important item required for the treatment of COVID-19. The Ministry has issued a Notification, numbered SO 3204 (E), dated 21-09-2020 for exempted of permit requirements as required under section 66 of the Motor vehicles Act, 1988 till 31st March 2021. This exemption has been extended further till 30th Sept 2021 vide SO 1441 (E), dated 01-04-2021.

Further, it has been advised that, all States/UTs may ensure implementation of the following to ensure seamless movement of Medical Oxygen carrying vehicles.

- i. There shall be no restrictions on the movement of Medical Oxygen carrying vehicles. They shall be permitted to ply round the clock, without any hindrance whatsoever.
- ii. Every Medical Oxygen carrying vehicles must preferably have two drivers to take care of fatigue issues while ensure the continuous movement of oxygen carrying vehicles.
- iii. The compliance of SO 1441 (E), dated 01st April, 2021 vide which exempted of permit requirements of carriage of Medical Oxygen Cylinders or Oxygen tanks was extended to 30th September 2021 shall be strictly ensured.
- iv. It is requested that States/UTs may restrict the use of Oxygen in industry and divert the same to health sector to take care of the enhanced demand of Medical Oxygen. Efforts should also be made for diverting other gas tankers being used for Nitrogen or Argon into use as Oxygen tankers.

- v. It is also requested that continuous deliberations with Oxygen manufactures / suppliers / Transporters / any other concerned agency may be done at the State level to remove bottlenecks for Medical Oxygen supply.
- vi. Pricing of Oxygen carrying be closely monitored and suitable price regulation may be imposed if needed.

In this regard, the Enforcement Assistant of this department are hereby instructed to ensure compliance of the above points on immediate basis.

//By Order//


(K.V.V.PRABAKARA RAO)
REGIONAL TRANSPORT OFFICER (HQ);i/c.

To

1. The Superintendent of Police (Head Quarters), Puducherry - to communicate the enforcing officials.
2. The Regional Transport Officer, Puducherry/Oulgaret/Karaikal
3. The Programmer, Transport Department, Puducherry - with instructions to upload in the Department website.
4. The Motor Vehicles Inspector, Regional Transport Unit Office, Villanur/Bahour/Mahe/Yanam.

Copy to:-

The Senior Superintendent of Police (Traffic), Puducherry.

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Sub: TD - RTO (HQ) - Clarification regarding issuance of driving licence while giving test on vehicles having automatic transmission - Reg.

Ref: Letter No. RT - 11036/78/2021-MVL, dated 17-04-2021 of the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, New Delhi.

The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, New Delhi has clarified vide reference cited, regarding issuance of driving licence while giving test on vehicles having automatic transmission under Section 10 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988.

"Section 10- Form and contents of licences to drive:

- (1) Every learner's licence and driving licence, except a driving licence issued under section 18, shall be in such form and shall contain such information as may be prescribed by the Central Government.
- (2) A Learner's licence or, as the case may be, driving licence shall also be expressed as entitling the holder to drive a motor vehicle of one or more of the following classes namely -
 - a. motor - cycle without gear;
 - b. motor - cycle with gear;
 - c. adapted vehicle;
 - d. light motor vehicle;
 - e. transport vehicle;
 - f. medium passenger motor vehicle;
 - g. heavy goods vehicle;
 - h. heavy passenger motor vehicle;
 - i. road-roller;
 - j. motor vehicle of a specified description."

"The Driving Licence is issued on the basis of class of motor vehicles, vide section 10 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, and not upon the fuel type or transmission type." It is advised that applicant (s) may be allowed to take driving test on a vehicle of any type of transmission.

In this regard, the Licencing / Assistant Licencing Authority of this department are hereby instructed to follow the above said order without any deviation.

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