

GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY

Abstract

Transport Secretariat , Puducherry – Formulation of Transport Policy for implementation in the Union Territory of Puducherry – Orders – Notified.

TRANSPORT SECRETARIAT

G.O.Ms.No.7 /Tr.Sectt./2017

Puducherry, dated 02.08.2017

READ: 1. No.01/JS/COM/2016(M.18), dated 15.05.2017 of the Secretariat of the Council of Ministers, Puducherry.

2. I.D. Note No.6168/TD/TP/PTP/2016, dated 19.07.2017 of Transport Department, Puducherry.

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ORDER:-

The following notification shall be published in the next issue of the Official Gazette.

NOTIFICATION

The Lieutenant Governor, Puducherry is pleased to approve the proposal for formulation of Transport Policy for implementation in the Union Territory of Puducherry as detailed in the annexure appended herewith.

2. This notification shall come into force with immediate effect.

/BY ORDER OF THE LIEUTENANT – GOVERNOR/


(CHAURE RATNAGHOSH KISHOR)
UNDER SECRETARY TO GOVT.(Tr.)

To

The Director,
Directorate of Stationary & Printing,
Puducherry.

With a request to publish the said notification in next issue of the Official Gazette and to supply 50 copies thereof to this Department for reference and record.

Copy to:

1. The District Collector, Karaikal/Administrator, Mahe/Yanam.
2. RTO/ HQ/Puducherry/Oulgaret/Karaikal.
3. Motor Vehicles Inspectors Mahe/Yanam.
4. The Finance Department, Puducherry
5. The Central Record Branch, Puducherry.
6. The Programmer, Transport Department, Puducherry – to upload in the Official Website of Transport Department.
7. G.O. File/Spare.

ANNEXURE

TRANSPORT POLICY FOR THE UNION TERRITORY OF PUDUCHERRY

INTRODUCTION:

The erstwhile Administration of the territory of French establishments in India taken over by the Government of India in terms of the De-Facto Agreement dated 21st October 1954, signed between the Government of India and the Government of France became as "Union Territory of Puducherry". Accordingly, the Union Territory of Puducherry is administered under the provisions of Government of Union Territories Act, 1963 (No.20 of 1963).

The Union Territory of Puducherry consists of 4 regions viz. Puducherry including the outlying regions of Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam, lying geographically separated from one another. The Puducherry region which is on the South East Coast is about 160 kms South of Chennai is the Capital of the UT of Puducherry, consists of 12 scattered areas interspersed as enclaves within Villupuram and Cuddalore Districts of Tamil Nadu State.

The Karaikal region which is about 160 kms South of Puducherry, is surrounded by the Nagapattinam District of Tamil Nadu. The Yanam region is located about 840 kms North East of Puducherry near Kakinada in Andhra Pradesh. The Mahe region lies almost parallel to Puducherry 650 kms away on the Western Side near Tellicherry in Kerala State.

The Union Territory of Puducherry is 490 sq.kms in area with a population of 12.48 lakhs as per the 2011 Census. The Region-wise break up of population is as follows:

Region	Area (Sq. Kms.)	Population			Literates
		Urban	Rural	Total	
Puducherry	294	657209 (69.16%)	293080 (30.8%)	950289	726649 (76.47%)
Karaikal	157	98102 (49.0%)	102120 (51.0%)	200222	154916 (77.37%)
Mahe	9	41816 (100%)	---	41816	36470 (87.22%)
Yanam	30	55626 (100%)	---	55626	39274 (70.60%)
Total	490	852753 (68.33%)	395200 (31.67%)	1247953	957309 (76.71%)

The Union Territory of Puducherry which is highly urbanized with an Urban Population of 68.33%, is the third most densely populated State / Union Territory in



India, with a per-capita income of Rs.1,75,006/- as per the 2014-15 Advance Estimates. The present economy of the Union Territory of Puducherry thrives on Secondary and Tertiary Sector.

The Union Territory of Puducherry has a road network of 2860 kms. Of which 65 kms are National Highways, 85 kms. are State Highways, 39 kms. are Major Roads, 288 kms. are other district roads, 254 kms are rural roads. The road network within the custody of local bodies are 2150 kms.

The Union Territory of Puducherry has a Rail network of 22 kms. belonging to Southern Railways. The Puducherry, Karaikal and Mahe regions are served by the Southern Railways. The Yanam region has no direct rail connectivity, though it can be accessed from Kakinada served by South Eastern Railways. The Union Territory has 9.87 lakh Registered Motor Vehicles as on 31st March 2017.

The Union Territory of Puducherry has one minor Airport and minor port at Puducherry and a Private Port at Karaikal.

2. Necessity for Transport Policy:

Transport plays an important role in the economic development of any region. Economic growth resulting in any higher incomes and rising living standards is expected to create greater demand for travel for both work and non-work / leisure purposes. This in turn can create congestion and reliability problems on the transport network, increasing costs on business and damaging quality of life and therefore interventions are required to break this vicious circle.

The Union Territory of Puducherry because of its high urbanization and historical importance attached to its evolution, attract more travel demands but lacks co-ordinated supply of transport infrastructure to satisfy the accessibility and mobility requirements for passenger and goods travel. Transport supply is mostly dependent on the road transport system with very meagre contribution from other sectors such as Railways, Airways and Waterways.

The socio economic sustainable development of this region requires a cohesive policy to guide and synchronise the transportation planning and development of the region. The projects related to transport sector are carried out in piecemeal nature and lack holistic approach to ensure the symbiotic growth of all

