



### **Abstract**

Motor Vehicles – Contract Carriage auto rickshaws – Enhancement of rates of fare for contract carriage auto rickshaws plying in Chennai Metropolitan area – Direction to State Transport Authority – Notification under section 67 (1)(i) of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (Central Act 59 of 1988) – Issued.

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### **Home (Transport.III) Department**

**G.O.Ms.No.611**

**Dated: 25.08.2013**

**Read :**

1. G.O.Ms.No.2939, Home, dated: 09.12.1981
2. G.O.Ms.No.1319, Home, dated: 27.08.1991
3. G.O.Ms.No.1111, Home, dated: 20.07.1993
4. G.O.Ms.No.1651, Home, dated: 31.10.1995
5. G.O.Ms.No.1679, Home, dated: 05.11.1996
6. G.O.Ms.No.48, Home, dated: 10.01.2007

**Read also:**

From the Principal Secretary / Transport Commissioner,  
Chennai Lr.No.M3/38347/2012, dated: 25.07.2012 and  
14.08.2013.

### **ORDER:**

In the Government Order 6<sup>th</sup> read above, directions were previously issued for the revision of fare for contract carriage auto rickshaws. Representations were received from various Trade Unions and Consumer Organisations to revise the rates of fare in view of the increase in fuel prices, vehicle maintenance costs, etc. Hence the Government have decided to revise the rates of fare for contract carriage auto rickshaws plying in

Chennai Metropolitan area, keeping in view the above representations and accordingly, the Government direct the State Transport Authority to fix the rates of fare for contract carriage auto rickshaws plying in Chennai Metropolitan area as Rs.12/- per Km, the minimum fare as Rs.25/- for the first 1.8 Kilometers, the waiting charges as Rs.3.50 for every 5 minutes and the night charges from 11.00 p.m. to 5.00 a.m. as 50% etc. of the total fare calculated at the above rate.

2. The Government also direct that—

- (i) the meters of the contract carriage auto rickshaws which are fitted with electronic digital meter shall be re-calibrated according to the revised fare structure within 45 days from the date of publication of the appended notification in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette.
- (ii) the revised rates of fare shall be printed in the form of auto rickshaw fare cards and supplied to all auto rickshaws plying in Chennai Metropolitan area. Fare cards / conversion tables shall be displayed inside the auto rickshaws so that these are clearly visible to all the travelling public until the fare meter are recalibrated according to the revised fare structure. The conversion table should be authenticated by the Regional Transport Officers.
- (iii) the contract carriage auto rickshaws plying in Chennai Metropolitan area shall be asked to fix the electronic digital fare meters combined with printer and Global Positioning System (GPS) for the purpose of tracking the vehicles in future.
- (iv) the Regional Transport Officer shall ensure that the fare is collected according to the Government approved rates given in the conversion table / fare card.
- (v) strict enforcement of the orders of the Government shall be made by the Transport officials and Police officials.
- (vi) if any violation of the orders of the Government is noticed, the permit of the auto rickshaws will be cancelled and the vehicle will be seized.

### 3. Fixing of Electronic digital fare meters

with Printer and GPS:–

- (i) The electronic digital fare meters with printer and GPS will be provided free of cost to the contract carriage auto rickshaws plying in Chennai city on the date of publication of the appended Notification in Tamil Nadu Government Gazette and the Government will bear the total cost of approximately Rs.80.49 crores.
- (ii) The installation of the electronic digital fare meters with printers and GPS will be done by the Government as a onetime measure only.
- (iii) The cost of Installation of electronic digital fare meters in the new auto rickshaws registered after the date of said notification and expenses towards repairs of all the fare meters shall be met by the auto rickshaw owners and not by the Government.
- (iv) The expenditure for the one time supply of the electronic digital fare meters with printers and GPS will be met from the Road Safety Funds.
- (v) A technical committee will be constituted to work out the details of the project and the technical feasibility to finalise the system for an auto enabled GPS monitoring system with helpline.
- (vi) The tender process will be followed in the procurement of the electronic digital fare meters with printers and GPS with the specific tender condition to include GPS monitoring system of complaints against auto rickshaws including tampering. The process of procurement is to be completed on or before 28.02.2014.

### 4. Helpline Phone Number:–

helpline phone number will be assigned for the use of the public which will be linked to the GPS monitoring system to register and monitor complaints if there is any violation by auto rickshaw operators. The helpline number should be prominently displayed in the Autos along with the designation of the authority to whom complaints have to be made.

5. The appended Notification will be published in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette Extraordinary, dated the 25<sup>th</sup> August 2013.

## **APPENDIX**

### **NOTIFICATION**

In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (i) of sub-section (1) of section 67 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (Central Act 59 of 1988) and in supersession of Home Department Notification No.II-2/HO/5295(V)/81, dated the 9<sup>th</sup> December 1981, published at pages 1 to 3 of Part II-Section 2 of the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette Extraordinary, dated the 10<sup>th</sup> December 1981, as subsequently amended and Home Department Notification No. II(2)/HO/51(a)/2007, dated the 10<sup>th</sup> January 2007, published on page 1 of Part II-Section 2 of the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette Extraordinary, dated the 26<sup>th</sup> January 2007, the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby directs the State Transport Authority, Tamil Nadu to fix the following rates of fare for contract carriage auto rickshaws plying within the Chennai Metropolitan area, namely:-

- (i) Minimum charge for : Rupees twenty five only.  
first 1.8 Kilometers
- (ii) For each additional : Rupees twelve only.  
Kilometer.
- (iii) Detention charges : Rupees three and fifty paise only for  
every five minutes.
- (iv) Night service : In addition to the total fare calculated  
charges (between at the above rate, an additional charge  
11.00 p.m and 5.00 of fifty percent of the total fare.  
a.m)

**(By Order of the Governor)**

**NIRANJAN MARDI**  
**Principal Secretary to Government**

**To**

The Principal Secretary / Transport Commissioner,  
Chennai – 600 005.  
The Works Manager,  
Government Central Press,  
Chennai – 600 079. (for Publication in  
Tamil Nadu Government Gazette  
Extraordinary dated 25.08.2013)

The Accountant General, Chennai – 600 018.  
The Director General of Police, Chennai - 600 004.  
The Commissioner of Police, Egmore, Chennai - 600 220.  
The Additional Commissioner of Police,  
Kilpauk, Chennai – 600 010.  
All Transport Sections in Home Department.  
All Superintendents of Police.  
All Regional Transport Officers.

**Copy to**

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Transport Wing, New Delhi.  
The Law Department, Chennai – 600 009.

**//Forwarded by Order//**

**Section Officer**