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Government of India
Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
(Transport Section)
Transport Bhawan, 1, Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001

Dated the 17th July, 2019

To,
The Principal Secretaries Transport of All States/UTs,
The Transport Commissioners of All States/UTs.

Subject: Incentivisation of Electric Vehicles and Induction of EVs in shared mobility and public transport operations- regarding

Dear Sir/ Madam,

1. Ministry of Road Transport has taken a number of initiatives to promote the use of Electric vehicles. Some of these measures are:
 - a. Green registration plate for Zero emission vehicles for distinct identity,
 - b. Exemption of EVs from the permit requirement for plying as transport vehicle.
 - c. Licence to drive E-scooters to those in the age group of 16-18 years.
2. The benefit of having a green number plate on electric vehicles would accrue to the users only if States and Municipalities provide incentives to such vehicles in respect of waiver of toll charges, parking fee as well as priority parking slots and permit the exclusive access to EVs to the congested zones in the cities. States are requested to take such measures so as to promote the electric vehicles utilisation. States are requested to create preferential policies for adoption of EVs through other incentives such as land allotment for charging infrastructure, mandating charging infrastructure in malls, housing societies and office complexes in addition to public parking places.
3. As a result of innovations introduced by taxi and auto aggregators, the shared mobility segment has seen an encouraging growth. There have also been developments in the field of zero-emission mobility. It is important to increase the share of zero emission electric vehicles in shared mobility as well as public transport. Since, the public transport and shared mobility vehicles typically cover higher distances, their conversion into electric would bring considerable impact on the harmful emissions in the cities.
4. This Ministry vide notification dated S.O. No. 5333(E) dated 18th October, 2018 (Copy enclosed) has exempted the electric vehicles from the requirements of passenger transport permit. However, most of the States have not implemented the notification and are still insisting for permits for EVs. This acts as a barrier against the proliferation of electric vehicles in passenger transport segment. States are requested to

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operationalise the Ministry's notification by registering electric vehicles for passenger mobility without imposing any permit requirement.

5. The Department of Heavy Industries has notified the FAME -II scheme to provide subsidies on the EVs being used as transport vehicles. Several states have also waived the road tax on EVs, thereby reducing the cost of acquisition of these eco-friendly vehicles. To speed the deployment of the electric vehicles it is necessary that adequate lucrative incentives are offered by the Governments. **States, which have not reduced or waived the road tax on EVs, may please consider waiving the road tax to the maximum possible extent on the electric vehicles so as to reduce the initial cost of the vehicle to the users.**
6. It is requested that action taken by the States for promoting the induction of EVs may please be communicated to this Ministry by 31st August, 2019.

Yours sincerely,



(Abhay Damle)
Joint Secretary