

PROCEEDINS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

Subject: Order to remove the difficulties in the implementation of the provisions of section 3 of the Karnataka Motor Vehicles Taxation Act

Whereas a tax at the rates specified in Part A of the Schedule is levied on all Motor Vehicles suitable for use on roads under section 3 of the Karnataka Motor Vehicles Taxation Act, 1957 (Karnataka Act 35 of 1957).

Whereas in clause (aa) of the fifth proviso to sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Karnataka Motor Vehicles Taxation Act, 1957 (Karnataka Act 35 of 1957), tax is levied at the rates specified in Part A6 of the Schedule, in case of goods vehicles having gross vehicle weight exceeding 1,500 kgs but not exceeding 5,500 kgs in weight laden, whether used for hire or reward or not.

Whereas in clause (d) of sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Karnataka Motor Vehicles Taxation Act, 1957 (Karnataka Act 35 of 1957), tax is levied at the rates specified in Part A8 of the Schedule in the case of Motor Cabs the cost of which exceeds rupees fifteen lakhs other than those registered outside the State and covered with a permit issued under sub-section (9) of section 88 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (Central Act 59 of 1988).

Whereas Part A6 of the Schedule of the Karnataka Motor Vehicles Taxation Act, 1957 (Karnataka Act 35 of 1957), has been substituted by the Karnataka Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Act, 2023 wherein lifetime tax for goods vehicles having gross vehicle weight exceeding 1,500 kgs but not exceeding 12,000 kgs in weight laden, whether used for hire or reward or not has been specified.

Whereas Part A8 of the Schedule of the Karnataka Motor Vehicles Taxation Act, 1957 (Karnataka Act 35 of 1957), has been substituted by the Karnataka Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Act, 2023 wherein Life time tax for motor cabs other than those registered outside the State and covered with the permit issued under sub-section (9) of section 88 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (Central Act 59 of 1988) has been specified.

Whereas the following difficulties had arisen in giving effect to the provisions of the Karnataka Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Act, 2023 (Karnataka Act 31 of 2023) namely:-

- Lifetime tax for goods vehicles having gross vehicle weight exceeding 5,500 kgs in weight laden, whether used for hire or reward or not;
- ii. Lifetime tax for motor cabs the cost of which exceeds rupees ten lakhs; and
- iii. Other consequential amendments to section 4.

Whereas to remove the above difficulties, the Government had issued the Karnataka Motor Vehicles Taxation (Power to remove difficulties) Order, 2023 vide Order No:TD 03 TDR 2023/Part-1, dated:30.08.2023. published in the Karnataka Gazette Extra-ordinary dated:30.08.2023 and the Karnataka Motor Vehicles Taxation (Power to remove difficulties) Order (2) 2023 vide Order (2) No TD 133 TDO 2023, dated:08.09.2023 published in the Karnataka Gazette Extra-ordinary dated:11.09.2023.

Whereas the Government has received representations from several Transport Operators Associations regarding difficulties faced in payment of Lifetime Tax under the provisions of the Karnataka Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Act, 2023 and have urged for postponement of tax payment and facility of paying tax in installments.

Whereas the approval of the Finance Department has obtained in the endorsements No. FD 325 EXP-11/2023 dated:02.09.202, No. FD 344 EXP-11/2023 dated:04.09.2023 and No. FD 325 EXP-11/2023 dated:03.11.2023.

Whereas the Government has decided to bring the provisions of the Karnataka Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Act, 2023, (Karnataka Act 31 of 2023) with effect from 1st day of January, 2024.

In the above circumstances the Government of Karnataka hereby clarifies as under,-

ORDER (3) No. TD 133 TDO 2023, Bengaluru, Dated: 16.11.2023.

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Karnataka Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Act, 2023, (Karnataka Act 31 of 2023) the Government of Karnataka hereby clarifies that in Order(2) No. TD 133 TDO 2023, dated:08.09.2023 published in the Karnataka Gazette Extraordinary dated:11.09.2023, for the figures and Words "1st November, 2023" the figures and words "1st day of January, 2024" shall be substituted.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Karnataka

(PUSHPA .V.S)

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