

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. 1957

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:-

i. 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.

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 instalments.

Whereas the approval of the Finance Department has obtained in the endorsement No.FD 325 EXP-11/2023 dated:02.09.2023 and No.FD 344 EXP-11/2023 dated:04.09.2023.

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

ORDER (2) No. TD 133 TDO 2023, Bengaluru, Dated: 08.09.2023.

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,-

"The provisions of the Karnataka Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Act, 2023, (Karnataka Act 31 of 2023), shall come into force with effect from 1" day of November, 2023.

Note:

- i. In case of new vehicle to be registered, tax levied shall be paid in full at the time of registration and in case of already registered goods vehicles having Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW) exceeding 1500 kgs but not exceeding 12000 kgs levied under Part A6 of the Schedule and already registered motor cabs levied under Part A8 of the Schedule, the lifetime tax levied may be paid in two equal instalments, in the following manner, namely:-
 - (a) Out of the tax so levied, half of the amount shall be paid at the time of tax due; and
 - (b) The balance of tax shall be paid within five months from the date of payment of the first instalment.
- ii. For goods vehicles and motor cabs due for payment of tax under Part-A of the Schedule before the date of commencement of the Karnataka

Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Act, 2023 (Karnataka Act 31 of 2023) shall pay taxes without penalty till 31* day of October, 2023. The registered owner who has paid the tax in part under clause (i) of third proviso of sub-section (3) of section 4 shall not be entitled for a refund of tax, unless the tax is paid in full"

By order and in the name of the Governor of Karnataka

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