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GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Transport (B) Department

NOTIFICATION

G. O. (P) No. 18/2010/Tran. *Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 12th March, 2010.*

**S. R. O. No. 254/2010.**—WHEREAS, representations have been received by Government that the existing rates of hire charges of Autorickshaws and Taxis should be revised;

AND WHEREAS, the Government are satisfied that the conditions have changed since the issuance of directions in Notification issued under G. O. (P) No. 29/2009/Tran. dated the 26th February, 2009 published as S.R.O. No. 192/2009 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No. 455 dated the 26th February, 2009 and that it is necessary to modify the directions issued to the State Transport Authority and the Regional Transport Authorities in respect of the hire charges of Autorickshaws and Taxis in the said notification;

NOW, THEREFORE, 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 the direction in notification issued under G.O. (P) No. 29/2009/Tran. dated the 26th February, 2009 published as S.R.O. No. 192/2009 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No. 455 dated the 26th February, 2009, the Government of Kerala hereby issue the following directions to the State Transport Authority and the Regional Transport Authorities in the State as follows:—

### DIRECTIONS

The State Transport Authority or the Regional Transport Authorities, as the case may be, shall refix the fares of contract carriages specified in column (1) of the Schedule below, at the rates shown in the corresponding entries under column (2) thereof, namely:—

### SCHEDULE

<i>Category of Contract Carriages</i>	<i>Rate of hire charges</i>
(1)	(2)

### Hire Charges

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| 1. Autorickshaws  | Minimum hire charges will be Rs. 10 for a distance up to 1.25 Kilometer. Beyond the minimum the rate will be Rs. 6.00 per Kilometer and 50 paise for every 1/12 Kilometer or part thereof.  |
| 2. Motor Cabs (including tourist Motor Cabs and Ordinary Motor Cabs) with a seating capacity of not more than seven persons including driver. | 1. Rs. 7.50 per Kilometer for motor cabs (both petrol and diesel) subject to a minimum of Rs. 50 for a distance up to 3 Kilometers.<br>2. In the case of Air conditioned Motor Cabs, 10% of the hire charges may be charged additionally. |

In the case of Autorickshaws, an additional charge at the rate of 50% of the above rate of hire charges may be charged for journeys performed between 10 p. m. and 5 a. m. in Corporation areas of Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Kochi, Thrissur and Kozhikkode and in the major towns of Kannur, Palakkad and Kottayam. In other places, an additional charge at the rate of 50% of the charges shown in the meter, less the minimum hire charges of Rs. 10 may be charged when onward journey alone is performed and the metered charges only when return journey is also performed.

<i>Category of Contract Carriages</i>	<i>Rate of hire charges</i>
(1)	(2)
<b>Detention Charges</b>	
1. Autorickshaws	Rs. 5 for every 15 minutes or part thereof, subject to a maximum of Rs. 200 per day.
2. Motor Cabs (including tourist Motor Cabs and Ordinary Motor Cabs)	Rs. 25 per hour subject to a maximum of Rs. 300 per day.

This notification shall come into force w.e.f. 15th March, 2010.

By order of the Governor,

W. R. REDDY,  
*Secretary to Government.*

#### Explanatory Note

(This does not form part of the notification, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

Representations were received by Government from the leaders of Trade Unions connected with Autorickshaws and Motor Cabs, requesting for revision of hire charges fixed in 2009 as per G. O. (P) No. 29/2009/Tran. dated the 26th February, 2009 published as S.R.O. No. 192/2009 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No. 455 dated the 26th February, 2009. Having regard to the

conditions stipulated in sub-section (1) of section 67 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (Central Act 59 of 1988) and the hike in price of petroleum products and spare parts and the report on revising Price Index for Autorickshaw/Taxi Operations (PIATO) submitted by the National Transportation Planning and Research Centre (NATPAC), Government have decided to revise the hire charges of Autorickshaws and Motor Cabs.

The notification is intended to achieve the above object.