

### **ABSTRACT**

Transport Department – District Road Safety Committee – Directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court Committee on Road Safety (SCCoRS) – Reconstituted – Composition and functions of District Road Safety Committee in each district – Amendment – Notification – Issued.

# Home (Transport -V) Department

G.O.(Ms).No.246

Dated:25.05.2022 சுபகிருது–வைகாசி-11 ம் நாள் திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு- 2053 Read:

- 1. G.O.(Ms).No.1566, Home (Tr.V) Department, dated 20.11.2008.
- 2. G.O.(Ms).No.572, Home (Tr.V) Department, dated 14.07.2017.
- 3. From the Secretary to Committee on Road Safety, New Delhi, Letter No.05/CROS/2022, dated 29.03.2022.
- 4. From the Transport Commissioner/RSC, Chennai, Letter R.No.685/C4/2021, dated 18.04.2022.

#### **ORDER:-**

In the reference first and second read above, the Government had constituted the District Road Safety Committee under the chairmanship of the District Collector in each district and Chennai District Road Safety Committee under the chairmanship of the Commissioner of Police, Chennai City respectively, to review the Road Safety measures in the districts, under section 215(3) of Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, a District Road Safety Committee (DRSC) has been constituted to monitor and improve the standard of road safety, in each district.

2. In the reference third read above, the Transport Commissioner has stated that, the Hon'ble Supreme Court Committee on Road Safety (SCCoRS) is urging the State Government to strictly comply with District Road Safety Committee provision as per Motor Vehicles Act, 1988. It has observed that different State has different composition of District Road Safety Committee. Hence, in order to comply with section 215 (3) of Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Act, 2019, the following regulatory structure was directed for compliance by all the State/UT's to constitute the District Road Safety Committee.

The composition of District Road Safety Committee as directed by Supreme Court Committee on Road Safety and in addition to this structure other stakeholder departments deemed fit have been included in the District Road Safety Committee. Accordingly, the compositions and

functions of District Road Safety Committee in every district shall be reconstituted as follows:-

# Composition of District Road Safety Committee(s):

SI. No	Designation	Position
i.	District Magistrate and Collector (Ex-Officio )	Chairman
ii.	Deputy Commissioner of Police / Superintendent of Police (Ex-Officio)	Member
iii.	Chief Medical Officer of Health (Ex-Officio)	Member
iv.	Executive Engineer, Public Works Department (Roads)	Member
v. vi.	Representative of Regional Office, Ministry of Road Transport & Highways.	Member
	Project Director, National Highways Authority of India.	Member
vii.	Executive Officer of Municipalities /Urban bodies /Notified Authorities	Member
viii.	At least one Civil Society Organization (CSO) or any other Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) working on improving Road Safety in the State.	Member
ix.	Regional Transport Officer	Member
х.	The Chief Educational Officer, School Education Department.	Member
xi.	Managing Director of one State Transport Undertaking operating in the District	Member
xii.	Deputy Director of Town and Country Planning	Member
xiii.	A representative of Bus Owners Association or Lorry Owners Association as nominated by the District Collector.	Member
xiv.	Two representatives from reputed Non-Governmental Organization's active and working in the field of Road Safety activities as nominated by the District Collector.	Member
xv.	One representative of Consumer Action groups as nominated by the District Collector	Member
	MLAs representing the District whose constituencies lie within the district during the discussion in the meeting of the District Road Safety Committee, whenever matters relating to road improvement programmes, Road Safety measures, Traffic improvement work etc, in respect of their constituencies are discussed.	Special Invitees
(vii.		Member- Secretary

The following Terms of Reference and Functions of the District Road Safety Committee(s) are directed as follows:-

- (i). Periodic review of the road accidents in the district.
- (ii). Monitor the implementation of State Road Safety policy and the targets set under it.
- (iii). Implement directions of the Supreme Court Committee of Road Safety, Government of India and the State Government as may be issued from time to time on matters of Road Safety.
- (iv). Implementation of decisions of the State Road Safety Council in the district.
- (v). Regularly track and update State Road Safety Council on details of Road crashes that took place in the district, which shall include:
  - (a) Details of the vehicle
  - (b) Cause of crash
  - (c) Details of spot investigation, evidence if any
  - (d) Details of offender/s (if any)
  - (e) Details of Victim/s and victims latest condition
  - (f) Types of injury caused
  - (g) FIR registered if any
- (vi). Publish road accident data on monthly basis on public domain on:
  - (i). The district website portal (to be widely publicised)
  - (ii). The MoRTH Portal (<a href="http://morth-roadsafety.nic.in/edisha">http://morth-roadsafety.nic.in/edisha</a> index.aspx)
- (vii). Develop a district Road Safety plan
- (viii). Ensure forensic crash investigation u/s 135A of the MVA for all mass fatality crashes in the district.
- (ix). Ensure optimal placements of ambulances to help improve response time and handover time to hospitals.
- (x). Ensure adequate availability of different ambulance types as per historic caseload in the district.
- (xi). Prepare an Emergency Medical Plan for mass fatality accidents in the district.
- (xii). Ensure linkage between hospitals and ambulances through setting up a prior notification system. Ensure linkages between hospitals to find out the availability of beds in case of emergency.
- (xiii). Act as the nodal body for placing, requirement/s, and disbursal of Road Safety funds and interact with State Road Safety Council as and when required.

- (xiv). Provide regular inputs to the State Road Safety Council/ Lead Agency of State and recommend road safety measures especially with regard to identification of major accident-prone areas/ Black Spots etc. and also in parts regarding the important of 4Es viz Engineering, Education, Enforcement & Emergency.
- (xv). Promote Good Samaritans to assist the road accident victims
- (xvi). Provide suggestion/s to State Government as and when requested to formulate or amend:
  - (a) Rules U/s 107. U/s 138. U/s 176, U/s 210D, U/s. 215D of the MV(A)Act, 2019
  - (b) Schemes U/s 135 of the MV(A)Act, 2019.
- (xvii). To review the action of the Police and Transport Department regarding cases for suspension of permits/licenses to look into Road re-engineering or other aspects for improvements.
- (xviii). To handle new scheme and inspection of design and construction techniques including the appropriate signage and other Road furniture.
- (xix). To remove encroachments and obstructions affecting the full use of roads.
- (xx). To undertake safety campaigns and vigorously motivate drivers to wear Helmet and fasten seatbelts in respect of persons travelling in motor cycle and car.
- (xxi). To introduce more effective and efficient licensing procedure.
- (xxii). To promote the establishment of adequate number of property equipped driving schools.
- (xxiii). To organise campaign and orientation programmes for all categories of road users and make them aware of their respective responsibilities.
- (xxiv). To place the proposal before District Road Safety Committee received from the user Departments/agencies for seeking funds under the Road Safety Fund for its approval.
- (xxv). To approve the study report of the Inter Departmental Team which analyse the Fatal Road Accidents shall be sent to the Transport Commissioner/Road Safety Commissioner.
- 4. The Transport Commissioner has stated that the District Road Safety Committees in each district under the Chairmanship of the District Collector and the Chennai District Road Safety Committee under the Chairmanship of the Commissioner of Police, Chennai City constituted as per the orders issued in the reference second read above shall be reconstituted as a District Road Safety Committee under the Chairmanship of District Collector, uniformly in all the districts of this State along with the terms of reference and functions as stated in the foregoing paragraphs

inconsonance with the direction of Supreme Court Committee on Road Safety vide its letter dated 29.03.2022.

- 5. With the inclusion of above said modification, the Transport Commissioner has requested early order in this regard.
- 6. Accordingly, the following Notification will be published in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette:-

#### **NOTIFICATION**

In exercise of the powers conferred under sub-section (3) of section 215 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (Central Act 59 of 1988) and in supersession of all the Government Orders issued in this context, the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby constitutes the District Road Safety Committee for each district with the following members:-

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