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**PART IV (A) — PROVINCIAL COUNCILS**

**Provincial Councils Notifications**

**EASTERN PROVINCE PROVINCIAL COUNCIL**

**Rules and Regulations issued under the provisions of Eastern Province Passenger Transport Authority Ordinance No. 2 of 2009**

I, do hereby publish the above notice of rules and regulations as per authority vested to me under the provisions of Eastern Province Passenger Transport Authority Ordinance No. 02 of 2009, sentences 30(1), 30(2)(i), (ii), (iii).

Z. A. NAZEER AHAMED,  
Chief Minister and Minister of Finance and Planning,  
Law and Peace, Provincial and Divisional Administration,  
Rural Development, Tourism and Environment,  
Buildings and Constructions, Transport and Rural Industry and Housing

1. I do hereby furnish the Eastern Province Passenger Transport Authority orders instituted as per article No. 2 of 2009 enactments sentences 30, (1), 30, (2), (i), (ii), (iii), And this article is to be named as orders for Preparation of Time Tables for Passenger Transport and bringing it into effect and Management of Bus Stand. These orders will be enforced from first December 2015.

**2. Preparation of Time Table**

2.1 This service will be implemented to a “General Time Table” prepared by the Passenger Transport Authority constituted considering the request of the bus passengers within Eastern Province with other necessary requirements. According to this General Time Table a program will be launched and implemented to make transport service to meet the requirements of the passengers in a specified route or area in turn the whole day. Through this program the requirements of the passengers of the respective routes and areas has to be fulfilled satisfactorily and it is expected to curb the harmful competition and perform an efficient service and implement a General Time Table amongst drivers and the authority endure to provide equitable turns for drivers.

2.2 The Passenger Transport Authority has the power to amended the General Time Table according the changes of the passenger requests, timely requirements and administrative facilities, efficient services and for amalgamation of town services, for the safety of the passengers and a supply more facilities to the public.



- 2.3 If there are requests for additional bus services out of the General Time Table, and if the respective service is considered essential for a qualitative and efficient service the Eastern Province Passenger Transport Authority has the power to grant an special approval for it.
- 2.4 The Passenger Transport Authority has the power to make arrangements beyond the General Time Table to provide School Services to transport pupils, Office Transport, and Special Services for Night and Morning Services with any other names and Postal Services and other Special Transport Services separated from the General Time Table.
- 2.5 While preparing the time table, the Passenger Transport Authority is empowered to select the routes, decide the destination, Name the route numbers, preparing the bus fare of passengers, checking the driving time and deciding the driving duration period, observation of passengers, deciding the demand of people, re-planning and amendment of services when and where necessary. The necessary criterions necessary for such activities will be formed by the Passenger Transport Authority as regulations.
- 2.6 While implementing new services it is the responsibility of the authority to decide whether is is necessary to provide a state bus service or a private bus service according to the nature of request and transport capabilities, The transport suggestions are to be submitted according to assessments of new routes and information and measures are to be implemented considering the respective suggestions.
- 2.7 If a Passenger Transport Authority of any other Province, or any other authority that provides license for transport services of National Transport Commission intends to issue a license to a bus for transport services such authority has to obtain written permission from the Eastern Province Transprot Authority for such effect. Such services shall not be a hindrance to the General Time Table and it is the responsibility of the authority issues license for same and the responsibility of the drivers to ensure that there is no harmful competency. Action will be initiated to suspend creating harmful competency with prevailing General Time Tables and services or possibility of creating such situations, or arising conflict with the prevailing other services or the possibility of arising such conflicts, or causing forceful impact on income of other running services and permanent or temporary inter Provincial Services.

### 3. Implementation of Time Tables

- 3.1 Each and every bus transporting passengers has to process a valid license issued by the authority indicating the number of the bus stating the number of running turns, time to enter and exit the bus terminal, dates the time table will be effective with other necessary information. And it is to be produced for inspection when requested to do so.
- 3.2 While implementing time tables more attention has to be drawn to the most necessity issue and discuss with the parties involved in running schedules and implement the time table. If there are controversies over the time tables such matters has to be bring to the notice of the authority, and it should be revived after running two weeks and the authority has to implement necessary action to make necessary amendments.
- 3.3 The license holder has to run the bus according to the time table of the respective bus and should not run changing the time table without the prior written approval of the authority without a sudden block on the way or instructions of officers on duty. Services stated in the time table should not be terminated half way or commenced half way.

- 3.4 A driver should not refuse or neglect implementing a time table prepared and approved by the authority.
- 3.5 The main function of the point controllers and the time keepers are to administer whether all the running turns are maintained according to the respective days of the time table in each and every route. If the appointed buses are not arrived on any grounds the reduced running turns are to be functioned with standby buses or with other buses possessing a valid license. If the buses scheduled are not present for the respective duties for over 14 days at a stretch it has to be brought to the notice of the top management of the authority.
- 3.6 The authority issues instructions relating to running turns of the approved Time Table regarding to rules and regulations from time to time regarding to maintenance of running turns as approved by the General Time Table. While making arrangements for minus running turns the authority is responsible to provide equal turns to the running fleet or to allocate a permanent driver for services continuously.
- 3.7 In an occasion one party has received less turns than the normal percentage of running turns in a General Time Table or in an amendment of a time table or at a reasonable request made or in an occasion where a bus gets less number of turns the authority has the power to give preference to a party that got less number of turns.
- 3.8 A bus could be entered into the bus terminal only before 5 or 10 minutes it is scheduled to be entered into the passenger terminal so that it is possible to get the log sheet or get necessary note and go out of the bus terminal.
- 3.9 During the period the bus is parked in the bus stand tickets are to be issued to the passengers and make them get into the bus and get the log sheet or get necessary note and go out of the bus terminal.
- 3.10 While driving the bus the driver should not purposely slow the bus to make the passengers late on their journeys or make the others drivers loose there income in their turns, and the drivers should not drive the buses fast and risk the safety of the passengers.
- 3.11 The authority is empowered to allocate buses for school services, special festivals and or in occasions of gathering of mass.
- 3.12 When forwarding new buses to the bus terminal it is necessary to obtain the approval of the authority for that purpose, and the bus is to be in the necessary conformity. The buses are to be commencing on duty and get off on duty at the same terminal, and it is to be treated as a place where passengers get into and get down from buses and also a place where they change their destinations, and it is a center where numerous journeys are managed and diverted. Accordingly the contractions are to be erected to assist on administration of bus services, providing necessary facilities for passengers, concentrating on the basic attention on providing necessary facilities for parking buses and employs. External buildings which might hinder the basic necessities of the bus terminal or which might make unnecessary problems for the management of the administration is not permitted.
- 3.13 It is an offence to obstruct or hinder the operation of these rules and regulations and legal action will be taken on such issues.
- 3.14 The list of the Bus Terminals administered by the Eastern Province Passenger's Authority is appearing in Schedule herewith.

SCHEDULE I

**1. Ampara District :**

- 1.1 Ampara Main Bus Terminal
- 1.2 Kalmunai Bus Terminal
- 1.3 Akkaraipattu Bus Terminal
- 1.4 Tirukkovil Bus Terminal
- 1.5 Potuwil Bus Terminal
- 1.6 Panama Bus Terminal
- 1.7 Mahaoya Bus Terminal
- 1.8 Padiyatalawa Bus Terminal
- 1.9 Dehiattakandiya Bus Terminal

**2. Batticaloa District :**

- 2.1 Batticaloa Main Bus Terminal
- 2.2 Kokaddicholi Bus Terminal
- 2.3 Kaluwawikudi Bus Terminal
- 2.4 Ariyampathi Bus Terminal
- 2.5 Kachchikudi Bus Terminal
- 2.6 Chenkaladdi Bus Terminal
- 2.7 Pillumalai Bus Terminal
- 2.8 Valachchena Bus Terminal

**3. Trincomalee District :**

- 3.1 Trincomalee Main Bus Terminal
- 3.2 Muttur Bus Terminal
- 3.3 Kinniya Bus Terminal
- 3.4 Kanthale Bus Terminal
- 3.5 Pulmudai Bus Terminal
- 3.6 Padavi Sri Pura Bus Terminal

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