

പതിനാലാം കേരള നിയമസഭ

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നക്ഷത്രചിഹ്നമിടാത്ത ചോദ്യം നം. 2019 01.02.2018 ൽ മറുപടിയ്ക്ക്

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<p>(എ) ബസ്സ് ചാർജ്ജ് (എ) ഉണ്ട്.</p> <p>വർദ്ധനവിനെക്കുറിച്ച് പഠിച്ച്</p> <p>റിപ്പോർട്ട് സമർപ്പിക്കുവാൻ</p> <p>നിയുക്തമായ ജസ്റ്റിസ് എം.</p> <p>രാമചന്ദ്രൻ നായർ കമ്മീഷൻ</p> <p>റിപ്പോർട്ട് ലഭിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടോ;</p>	
<p>(ബി) പ്രസ്തുത റിപ്പോർട്ടിലെ പ്രധാന (ബി)</p> <p>ശുപാർശകൾ</p> <p>എന്തൊക്കെയാണെന്നും</p> <p>ആയതിന്റെ അടിസ്ഥാനത്തിൽ</p> <p>ബസ്സ് ചാർജ്ജ് വർദ്ധനവ് ഉടൻ</p> <p>നടപ്പിലാക്കുവാൻ</p> <p>ഉദ്ദേശിക്കുന്നുണ്ടോയെന്നും</p> <p>വ്യക്തമാക്കുമോ?</p>	<p>റിപ്പോർട്ടിലെ പ്രധാന ശുപാർശകൾ</p> <p>സംബന്ധിച്ച പ്രസക്ത ഭാഗത്തിന്റെ പകർപ്പ്</p> <p>അനുബന്ധമായി ചേർക്കുന്നു.</p> <p>റിപ്പോർട്ട് പരിശോധിച്ചുവരുന്നു.</p>
<p>(സി) വിദ്യാർത്ഥികളുടെ യാത്രാ സൗജന്യം (സി)</p> <p>നിലവിലെ പതിനാല്</p> <p>ശതമാനത്തിൽ നിന്നും</p> <p>വർദ്ധിപ്പിക്കണമെന്ന കമ്മീഷന്റെ</p> <p>ശുപാർശയിന്മേലുള്ള നിലപാട്</p> <p>വ്യക്തമാക്കുമോ?</p>	<p>ഇപ്പോൾ പരിഗണനയിലില്ല.</p>


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interest, and for the protection of the bus transport sector, the minimum charge and kilometer rate presently in force need to be appropriately revised. We are of course faced with a difficult position since the KSRTC has not disclosed their position, as to whether a hike in fare is necessary or not. We are of the opinion that in respect of the ordinary motor services, including town services as well as other services, the increase in minimum charge and per kilometer rate could be enhanced by about ten per cent across the table for all class of services as may be justified from the updated value of Price Index for Stage Carriage Operations (PISCO) in the State. During the period between May, 2014 and November, 2017, the value of PISCO has gone up by 11.95 per cent as revealed by the updated figures obtained from NATPAC. It appears to be authentic. Therefore, it would be advisable to enhance the fare structure as noted earlier. [Accordingly, the Committee

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recommends that the fare structure to be fixed as suggested in Table 1.

Table 1

Fare per KM for stage carriages operating in the State of Kerala.

Sl.No	Class of bus services	Present rate (Paise/km)	Proposed rate (Paise/km)
1	Ordinary/mofussil services (including town/city service)	64	70
2	City Fast Services	68	75
3	Fast Passenger/Limited Stop FP	68	75
4	Express/Super Express Services	77	85
5	Super Deluxe/Semi Sleeper	90	100
6	High Tech/Luxury/AC buses	110	120
7	Volvo Buses	130	145

23. We are of the view that the minimum fare leviable in respect of ordinary buses plying in the State can be fixed as Rs.8/- instead of present charge of Rs.7/-.

24. We are refraining from tampering with fare stages, although complaints about arbitrariness in fixing fare stages had been highlighted. This is because

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statute provides for attending to such complaints, and it may not be feasible to look into the fare stages which might be in thousands in the State. STA/RTA are the nominated authority to deal with the issue as per rules duly taking note of the local conditions, and there is also provision for challenging the decisions, statutorily provided. Our opinion as above already stands upheld by governmental orders.

25. Also we are not dealing with the minimum fare leviable from the student community or the concessions since our detailed report on the issue is already resting with the Government and orders are expected to be passed on them, especially since there is a direction by the High Court in dealing with the subject.

26. The Committee recommends the minimum charge for stage carriages to be revised as shown in Table 2.

Table 2

Proposed minimum charge for stage carriages operating in Kerala.

Sl.No	Class of bus services	Present Min. Charge (Rupees)	Proposed Min. Charge (Rupees)
1	Ordinary/mofussil services (including town/city service)	7.00	8.00
2	City Fast Services	7.00	8.00
3	Fast Passenger/Limited Stop FP	10.00	11.00
4	Express/Super Express Services	13.00	15.00
5	Super Daluxe/Semi Sleeper	20.00	22.00
6	High Tech/Luxury/AC buses	40.00	44.00
7	Volvo Buses	40.00	45.00

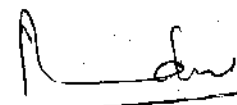
Note: Distance permissible for minimum charge for different class of services to remain the same as of now. The revised fares can be brought into force from 01-02-2018.


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