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## COMMERCE & TRANSPORT (TRANSPORT) DEPARTMENT

### NOTIFICATION

The 30th July, 2019

No.5077-TRN-LC-MISC-0106-2017/T.—In pursuance of direction of the Supreme Court Committee on Road Safety and for undertaking various road safety activities for reduction of road accidents and fatalities in the State, a Dedicated Fund for Road Safety has been created by the Government of Odisha from the year, 2015-16.

For proper utilization and maintenance of the Fund, Government have been pleased to make the following regulations; namely:—

#### 1. SHORT TITLE, EXTENT AND COMMENCEMENT:

(i) These regulation may be called “the Odisha Road Safety Fund Management Regulations, 2019”.

(ii) It shall come into force from the date of its publication in the *Odisha Gazette*.

#### 2. DEFINITION:

In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:—

- (a) “Committee” means the Committee constituted under the regulations for management of the fund.
- (b) “Financial Year” means a period of twelve months commencing from the 1st Day of April of a calendar year.
- (c) “Fund” means the “Odisha Road Safety Fund”
- (d) “Scheme” means scheme implemented to achieve the objective of the fund.
- (e) “Society” means Odisha Road Safety Society registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 (21 of 1860).
- (f) “State” means the State of Odisha.

#### 3. SOURCE OF FUND :

- (a) Twenty Per cent of the amount collected towards compounding fees and fines collected from various Motor Vehicle offences during the year shall be allocated as Grant-In-Aid to Odisha Road Safety Society in the budget estimate of the subsequent year under the fund under Demand No.21-2041-00-800-1898-41586-000-0-1-0 under State Non-Plan by the Government in the Finance Department.
- (b) The flow of funds shall be regular.

(c) The funds shall be deposited in a Bank Account specifically opened for the purpose.

(d) The Fund shall be non-lapsable.

#### **4. PURPOSE OF THE FUND:**

The fund will be utilized for various road safety measures, traffic education, traffic enforcement etc. with an aim to reduce road accidents and fatalities as detailed below; namely:—

- (i) To make and implement schemes, projects and awareness programmes pertaining to road safety and related activities.
- (ii) To take necessary steps for safe plying of vehicles and safe movement of road users.
- (iii) To identify accident prone places and to take corrective measures.
- (iv) To impart knowledge and create awareness about traffic rules among the public.
- (v) To provide equipment and vehicles to enforcement agencies for effective enforcement of traffic rules and for taking steps for controlling road accidents.
- (vi) To provide trauma and post-accident care.
- (vii) To conduct study and research on road safety.
- (viii) To collect and analyze road accident data.

#### **5. OPERATIONAL GUIDELINE:**

(1) Management Committee :—

The Administrative Department for the fund shall be the Commerce & Transport (Transport) Department and the fund shall be operated by a Committee constituted as follows; namely:—

(i)	Principal Secretary, Commerce & Transport (Transport) Department	Chairman
(ii)	Transport Commissioner, Odisha	Member
(iii)	I.G. of Police, C.I.D. & Crime Branch, Odisha	Member
(iv)	Additional /Joint /Deputy Secretary to Government, Commerce & Transport (Transport) Department (in-charge of Road Safety)	Member
(v)	A representative in the rank of Special Secretary / Additional Secretary from Finance Department	Member
(vi)	A representative in the rank of Special Secretary / Additional Secretary from Health & Family Welfare Department	Member
(vii)	A representative in the rank of Special Secretary / Additional Secretary from Housing & Urban Dev. Department	Member
(viii)	A representative in the rank of Special Secretary / Additional Secretary from Works Department	Member

(ix)	A representative in the rank of Special Secretary / Additional Secretary from Home Department	Member
(x)	A representative in the rank of Special Secretary / Additional Secretary from School & Mass Education Department	Member
(xi)	Joint Commissioner Transport (Road Safety)	Member Secretary

- (2) The Committee shall be called the “**Management Committee**” of the fund.
- (3) The Committee shall meet at least once in every quarter of a financial year.
- (4) The quorum of the meeting of the Committee shall be five members.
- (5) Further, a meeting shall be held under the chairmanship of Chief Secretary to review the fund position once in a year.

#### **6. RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:**

- (1) The Committee shall select and approve the schemes to be financed from the fund.
- (2) The Committee shall monitor the physical and financial progress of the sanctioned schemes.
- (3) The Committee shall ensure maintenance of account of the fund in accordance with rules and procedures of the State Government.

#### **7. CONDITIONS FOR THE SCHEME TO BE FINANCED FROM THE FUND:**

The conditions for the scheme to be financed from the fund shall be as follows; namely :—

- (1) Selection of the Scheme shall be made by the Management Committee.
- (2) Only such schemes/plans shall be financed which will be completed within the timeframe approved by the Committee.
- (3) In no circumstances any amount sanctioned out of the fund shall be invested under any deposit scheme.
- (4) The amount sanctioned from the fund shall be utilized only for the purpose for which it is sanctioned.
- (5) However, the Transport Commissioner, Odisha as the Head of the Lead Agency may sanction up to Rs.15.00 lakh (Rupees Fifteen Lakh only) in one occasion subject to maximum of Rs.1.00 Crore (Rupees One Crore only) in a year. Expenditure exceeding the above ceiling may be made with approval of the Management Committee.

#### **8. PROCEDURE FOR SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS TO THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OF THE FUND:**

- (1) The proposals/schemes on various activities shall be submitted by different Departments such as Home, Works, Health and Family Welfare, Housing and Urban Development to the Lead Agency constituted under the chairmanship of Transport Commissioner.

- (2) The Lead Agency/Transport Commissioner shall put up such proposals/schemes received from various Departments before the Management Committee for approval.
- (3) After approval by the Management Committee, the financial sanction shall be issued by the Transport Commissioner, Odisha for execution of the proposal/scheme by concerned Departments.

**9. RESPONSIBILITIES FOR EXECUTION OF THE SCHEME FINANCED OUT OF THE FUND:**

- (1) The Transport Commissioner/Lead Agency shall coordinate the necessary work for successful execution of the scheme. The head of the concerned Departments shall be responsible for implementing and regular monitoring of construction, maintenance and repair of useful equipment financed out of the fund.
- (2) Heads of Departments concerned shall be responsible for successful implementation of the schemes. They shall supervise, monitor and review physical and financial progress of the schemes. The senior most District Level Officer of respective Department shall be responsible for issue of Completion Certificate of the scheme.
- (3) The Odisha General Financial Rules (OGFR) and other Government orders issued from time to time shall be complied with in case of purchases with respect to the approved schemes.

**10. MAINTENANCE AND AUDIT OF FUNDS:**

- (1) The Accounts Officer of the Office of the Transport Commissioner shall properly maintain accounts of the expenditure incurred from the fund in accordance with provisions of OGFR/Delegation of Financial Rules/Treasury Code etc and such accounts shall be reconciled with the records of Accountant General, Odisha simultaneously.
- (2) These accounts shall be audited by the Departmental Auditors as well as the Accountant General (Audit), Odisha.
- (3) The amount of the fund shall not be invested for any other purpose.
- (4) Detailed report of income of and expenditure from the fund shall be submitted by the Lead Agency to Government from time to time as and when required.

The Office Order No.7224/T., dated the 6th October, 2016 is superseded herewith.

By Order of the Governor

G. SRINIVAS

Principal Secretary to Government