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**Transport Department  
Government of West Bengal**

No.145-Secy(Tr)

Dated Kolkata, the 7<sup>th</sup> November, 2019

From : Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal,  
Transport Department.

To : The Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/Secretary

**Sub : Phasing out of 15 years old vehicles**


**Ref : Our office memo No.125-Secy(Tr) dtd. 24.10.19**

Sir,

In reference to our above referred letter, (Copy enclosed) all concerned are once again requested to send the detailed list of vehicles, sought as per prescribed format in our above captioned letter by 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 at e-mail ID: [sec.transportwb@gmail.com](mailto:sec.transportwb@gmail.com) for onward transmission.

Please be treated it as urgent.

Yours sincerely,


  
Secretary, 21/11/2019  
Transport Department

No.145-Secy(Tr)

Dated Kolkata, the 7<sup>th</sup> November, 2019

Copy forwarded for information & necessary action to :-

- 1) Joint Secretary, Transport.

  
Secretary, 21/11/2019  
Transport Department





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Government of West Bengal**

No.125-Secy(Tr)

Dated Kolkata, the 24<sup>th</sup> October, 2019

From : Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal,  
Transport Department.

To : The Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/Secretary

**Sub : Phasing out of 15 years old vehicles**

Sir,

I am enclosing herewith the record notes of the meeting of Chief Secretary on movement of Air Quality in Kolkata held on 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2019.


In this regard, it has been decided that for improving the air quality in Kolkata, it is essential to phase out of all government vehicles (including hired vehicles) which are 15 years old are to be removed by different government department including various parastatals within their control by **31<sup>st</sup> December, 2019**. Report in the following prescribed format may also be forwarded to Transport Department for compilation/information.

Sl. No.	Name of the Department	No. of 15 yrs old vehicles	No. of vehicles proposed for Replacement by 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec, 2019

Necessary action in this regard may please be taken from your end.

Encl : As stated.

Yours sincerely,

  
Secretary,  
Transport Department



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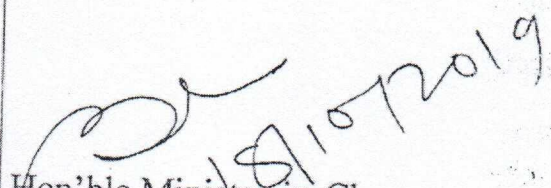
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A meeting was taken by the Chief Secretary, West Bengal on 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2019 regarding implementation the order of the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal (NGT) for improving the Air Quality of Kolkata Metropolitan area.

In this regard, following directions ~~may be issued by the~~ <sup>were issued on</sup> Transport Department, GoWB.

- Proper steps must be taken to ensure that all 15 years old vehicles stop plying after 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2019;
- Letter should be issued by Transport Department to all the Secretaries of different departments that they should discard the utilisation of 15 years old vehicles;
- Comprehensive Electric Vehicle Mobility Plan for Kolkata should be prepared by Transport Department immediately.

Matter is submitted before the Hon'ble Minister-in-Charge, Transport Department, GoWB for his kind perusal and approval so that necessary action may be initiated by the Transport Department.

  
Hon'ble Minister-in-Charge  
Transport Department

  
Secretary  
Transport Department  
10/10/2019

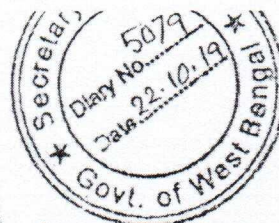


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Memo No. EN/2067(s)/3C-45/2015

Date: ...21/10/2019

To:

Shri N.S Nigam, IAS  
Principal Secretary  
Transport Department  
Government of West Bengal  
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12 R N Mukherjee Road, Kolkata-700001

Sub: Record Notes of the meeting for review of the status of action taken for improvement of air quality by Chief Secretary with ref to the case O.A 33/2014(NGT/EZ) of held on 18.10.2019 at Conference Hall at 13<sup>th</sup> Floor Nabanna, Howrah.

Sir,

I am sending the Record Notes of the above-mentioned meeting for your kind perusal and appropriate action at the earliest.

Yours faithfully,

(Prabhat Kumar Mishra)

Encl: As stated above



Record Notes of the meeting for review of the status of action taken with respect to air quality with ref to the case OA 33 (EZ) of 2014 by Chief Secretary on 18.10.2019

Shri Rajiva Sinha, Chief Secretary, West Bengal welcomed everybody. He emphasized that the directions of Hon'ble National Green Tribunal (NGT) are to be complied both in words and spirit with a clear focus on seeking long term sustainable solutions for the problem of air quality in Kolkata and Howrah. He also directed that no ad-hoc measures are to be adopted.

After threadbare discussion following decisions were taken:

Phasing out of vehicles which are more than 15 years old:

- A. Transport Department will ensure that no 15-year-old vehicle plies in Kolkata and Howrah. The contact details of the owner of more than 15 years old commercial vehicles, which are still in the 'Vahan' database, shall be shared with Kolkata Police to completely stop illegal plying by 31 December 2019.

(Action: Transport, Kolkata Police)

- B. Transport Department will coordinate with all government departments and ensure that all government vehicles (including the hired ones) which are more than 15 years old are removed/replaced from their fleet by 31 December 2019.

(Action: Transport)

Transport Management:

- C. KMC will immediately make their Multi level Car Parking (MLCP) at Rowdon street fully functional. MCLPs under construction are to be completed within three months i.e. 31 January 2020.

(Action: KMDA, KP, KMC, PWD)

- D. HMC will complete construction of remaining portion of pavement within its jurisdiction by 31 January. Similarly, KMC will also complete pavement construction in its area by 31 January 2020. Right of way for different service providers has to be clearly identified and addressed properly by the concerned agency.

(Action: KMC and HMC)

- E. KMDA will get a consultant on board by 30 November, 2019 to prepare a road map for introduction of cycling tracks in and around Kolkata.

(Action: KMDA)

- F. Transport department will prepare a road map for conversion of all State-owned vehicles to Electric Vehicles (EVs) by 15 November. This will address availability of technology, repair centres, charging stations, electricity requirement etc.

(Action: Transport)

- G. A major reason for congestion near big schools during school opening and closing time is use of personal transport by individual student. This challenge could be



addressed if such schools had school buses to ferry students. A Committee was constituted comprising Kolkata Police, School Education Department, Transport, and Kolkata Municipal Corporation to take up the issue with schools which presently do not run school buses. School Education Department will be the coordinator of this Committee. This Committee shall complete its consultation with authorities of such schools within November 2019 and submit a report to Chief Secretary by 30 November 2019.

(Action: Kolkata Police, School Education Dept., KMC)

- H. KMC and HMC will prepare Master Plans for parking of vehicles in their areas by 15 December 2019. This will include policy prescriptions related to parking fee, identification of parking zones, new sites for MCLP, park and ride facilities at Metro stations, integration of public bus and metro sources and so on.

(Action: KMDA, KMC, HMC)

**Other related issues:**

- I. Indian Plastic Federation (IPF) is ready to install plastic shredders at different locations. They have to be provided necessary guidance for installation of such shredders at suitable locations to ensure proper recycling of plastic waste.

(Action: KMC)

- J. A road map is to be prepared by MSME&T Department for use of the CSIR developed smokeless chullahs using pellets made out of bio-degradable waste. These chullahs can be used for ironing. Micro and small enterprises will be involved in making both the products available as MSME enterprise. Use of gas ovens is to be enforced in all coal fired eateries/ dhaba in KMC and HMC by December 2019.

(Action: KMC, HMC, MSME)

- K. Massive plantation shall be done on the canal sides in and around Kolkata. Forest Department will undertake this drive-in consultation with I&W Department and complete the exercise within December 2019.

(Action: Irrigation & Waterways and Forest)

- L. Provision under Section 133 of Cr. PC shall be used by competent authorities for stopping open waste burning in all Municipal Corporations and ULBs. UDMA Department will issue necessary guideline in this regard by 15 November 2019.

(Action: UDMA Department, DMs/Municipal Commissioners)

Sd/-

(Rajiva Sinha)

Chief Secretary