



## **ABSTRACT**

Disaster - Management Act, 2005 – COVID-19 – Permitting the State Transport Undertakings/ Private bus operators including buses operated/ engaged by Industries to operate the buses with 100% seating capacity and also permit the State Transport Undertakings to increase the number of bus services based on demand - Notification - Issued.

## **REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT [D.M.4(2)] DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.(Ms)No.717**

**Dated: 7.12.2020**

சார்வரி, கார்த்திகை 22,  
திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு, 2051

**Read:**

1. G.O.(Ms).No.262, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM.II) Department, Dated 31.05.2020.
2. G.O.(Ms).No.462, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM.IV) Department, Dated 4.09.2020
3. G.O.(Ms).No.673, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM.IV) Department, Dated 30.11.2020

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## **NOTIFICATION**

In the Government order first read above, it has been ordered to operation of public transport through State Transport Undertakings and private buses by restricting the occupancy in buses to 60% of the total seating capacity by following the Standard Operating Procedures.

2. In the Government order second read above, it has also been ordered to operate public transport bus services throughout the State from 7.9.2020.

3. The Transport Department has stated that both State Transport Undertakings and Private transport buses need to operate with 100% seating capacity without standees due to expected increase in number of commuters including buses operated/engaged by Industries to Transport their employees and schools and colleges engaging buses to transport students. The Transport Department has also stated that State Transport Undertakings may be permitted to increase the number of bus services

based on demand, by following the Standard Operating Procedures in GO.Ms.No.262, Revenue & Disaster Management Department, dated 31.5.2020.

4. Now, therefore the Government hereby order to permit the State Transport Undertakings/ Private bus operators including buses operated/ engaged by Industries to Transport their employees and schools and colleges engaging buses to transport students, to operate buses with 100% seating capacity and also permit the State Transport Undertakings to increase the number of bus services based on demand by following the Standard Operating Procedures(SOPs) as per GO.Ms.No.262, Revenue & Disaster Management Department, dated 31.5.2020 except restriction of occupancy to 60% of the seating capacity.

**(By order of the Governor)**

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