OFFICE OF THE JOINT COMMISSIONER OF POLICE

TRAFFIC, DELHI

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Subject: - Prosecution of two wheelers and other motorists found using pressure horns/multi toned horns.

It has been observed that many two wheeler riders and other motorists are found using pressure/multi-toned horns which not only causes annoyance to other road users but is also a serious source of noise pollution in the city.

It is brought to notice of all concerned that pressure/multi toned horns are not fitted at manufacturers end. The users/owners of vehicles get them fitted at later stage at their own end. Under Rule 119 (1) of Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 it is specified that "motor vehicles manufactured shall be fitted with an electric horns or other devices conforming to the requirements of IS: 1884-1992, specified by the Bureau of India Standards (BIS) for use by the driver of the vehicle and capable of giving audible and sufficient warning of approach or position of the vehicle". Similarly Under Rule 119 (2) of Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 it is specified that "No motor vehicles including agricultural tractor and combine harvester shall be fitted with any multi-toned horn giving a succession of different notes or with any other sound-producing device giving an unduly harsh, shrill, loud and alarming noise". In addition, under Regulation 21 of Rules of Road Regulations, 1989 it is further specified that "A driver of a vehicle shall not:-

- (vii) sound the horn needlessly or continuously or more than necessary to ensure safety;
- (viii) sound the horn in silence zones;
- (ix) make use of a cut-out by which exhaust gases are released other than through the silencer;
- (x) fit or use any multi-toned horn giving a harsh, shrill, loud or alarming noise;
- (xi) drive a vehicle creating undue noise when in motion;
- (xii) drive a vehicle with a muffler causing alarming sound.

Rule 97 (1) of Delhi Motor Vehicles Rules, 1993 also specifies, that no vehicle owner shall be allowed to carry or fix any appliance/fitting on the motor vehicle which may cause annoyance or danger to the other road users.



Violation of the above mentioned rules is punishable under section 177 Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 which attracts a fine of Rs. 100/- for first offence and for any 2nd or subsequent offence with fine which may extend to Rs. 300/-.

All DCsP/T-Ranges, ACsP/Traffic-Districts and TIs/Circles are hereby directed to brief their prosecuting/challaning officers accordingly and take immediate necessary action in implementing the above mentioned directions as per the provisions contained in the Motor Vehicles Act/Rules in true letter and spirit with immediate effect.

(Sharad Agarwal)
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All DCsP/Traffic Ranges & HQ-II All ACsP/Traffic Districts All TIs/Circles.

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