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From: Supervising Officer, Ministry of Civil Service &

Administrative Reforms

To : Supervising Officers in charge of Ministries/Departments

Public Officers travelling by illegal means of transport

The attention of this Ministry has been drawn to the fact that a significant number of Public Officers have recourse to illegal means of transport to attend duty, although Section 143A (Liability of Occupants for Offences) of the Road Traffic Act provides that:

- "(a) no person shall travel in, or hire a motor vehicle as a whole or at separate fare unless he has ascertained that such vehicle is licensed for the purpose for which he travels in, or hires that vehicle; and
- (b) a person who contravenes subsection (1) shall commit an offence and shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine of not less than 500 rupees nor more than 1,000 rupees".
- 2. We are advised that it would be in the interest of Public Officers to abide by the law and refrain from having recourse to illegal means of transport to attend duty so as to avoid the embarrassments of getting prosecuted for infringing the provisions of the Road Traffic Act.
- 3. It would be appreciated if the contents of this Circular Letter could be brought to the attention of all officers concerned.

Supervising Officer

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