

Transport Department – Policy on Electric Vehicles for the State of Kerala - approved – Orders Issued.

## Transport(B) Department

GO(Ms) No.24 /2019/Trans

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram 10/03/2019

Read: 1. GO(Rt) No.242/2017/E&ITD dated 10/10/2017

2. GO(Ms) No.58/2018/Trans. dated 29/09/2018

## <u>Order</u>

The vehicular transport of the State predominantly depend on fossil fuels. The extensive use of fossil fuels leads to environmental pollution and health hazards, which necessitates the exploration of alternative energy. The over dependancy on fossil fuels badly affects the balance of payment of the country and the political instability of oil producing countries always remains as a threat to the economic stability of our nation.

In this alarming circumstance, the State of Kerala, which is a forefront runner in many reforms and innovations, initiated early steps in the direction of framing a road map of Electric Vehicle Policy for the State. As per the GO read as 1<sup>st</sup> paper above, Government had appointed a Special Task Force under the chairmanship of Prof.Jhunjhunwala, Principal Advisor to the Minister for Power, Govt. Of India, for framing a draft EV Policy for the state. The committe had prepared a draft policy and submitted before the Government. In light of the proposal of the committee a draft Electric Vehicle policy for the State of Kerala had been published as per the GO read as 2<sup>nd</sup> paper above.

After detailed discussion with the various stakeholders, the draft policy was modified according to the prevailing circumstances of the State incorporating various changes, the Government are pleased to approve the Electric Vehicle Policy for the State of Kerala as appended herewith

By Order of the Governor

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Principal Secretary to Government

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