Reference: Amendment Notification GSR 950(E) dated 3.12.2010 of National Highways Fee (Determination of Rates and Collection) Rules, 2008 (Ref. GSR 838(E) dated 5.12.2008)

Exemption from payment of fee – No fee shall be levied and collected from mechanical vehicles

(a) transporting and accompanying -

- (i) the President of India;
- (ii) the Vice-President of India;
- (iii) the Prime-Minister of India;
- (iv) the Governor of a State;
- (v) the Chief Justice of India;
- (vi) the Speaker of the House of People;
- (vii) the Cabinet Minister of the Union;
- (viii) the Chief Minister of a State;
- (ix) the Judge of the Supreme Court;
- (x) the Minister of State of the Union;
- (xi) the Lieutenant Governor of a Union Territory;
- (xii) the Chief of Staff holding the rank of full General or equivalent rank;
- (xiii) the Chairman of the Legislative Council of a State;
- (xiv) the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of a State;
- (xv) the Chief Justice of a High Court;
- (xvi) the Judge of a High Court;
- (xvii) the Member of Parliament;
- (xviii) the Army Commander or Vice-Chief of Army Staff and equivalent in other services;
- (xix) the Chief Secretary to a State Government within concerned State;
- (xx) the Secretary to the Government of India;
- (xxi) the Secretary, Council of States;
- (xxii) the Secretary, House of People;
- (xxiii) the Foreign dignitary on State visit;
- (xxiv) The Member of Legislative Assembly of a State and the Member of Legislative Council of a State within their respective State, if he or she produces his or her identity card issued by the concerned legislature of the State;
- (xxv) The awardee of Param Vir Chakra, Ashok Chakra, Maha Vir Chakra, Kirti Chakra, Vir Chakra and Shaurya Chakra if such awardee produces his or her photo identity card duly authenticated by the appropriate or competent authority for such award;

(b) used for official purpose by-

- (i) the Ministry of Defense including those which are eligible for exemption in accordance with the provisions of the Indian Toll (Army and Air Force) Act, 1901 and rules made thereunder, as extended to Navy also;
- (ii) the Central and State armed forces in uniform including para military forces and Police;
- (iii) an executive Magistrate;
- (iv) the fire-fighting Department or Organization;
- (v) the National Highway Authority of India or any other Government organization using such vehicle for inspection, survey, construction or operation of national highways and maintenance thereof;

(c) used as ambulance; and

(d) used as funeral van

- **G.S.R. 585(E).**—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 9 of the National Highways Act, 1956 (48 of 1956), the Central Government hereby makes the following rules further to amend the National Highways Fee (Determination of Rates and Collection) Rules, 2008, namely:-
- **1. Short title and commencement.**—(1) These rules may be called the National Highways Fee (Determination of Rates and Collection) Amendment Rules, 2016.
 - (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
- 2. In the National Highways Fee (Determination of Rates and Collection) Rules, 2008 (hereinafter referred to as the said rules), in rule 2,-
 - (i) after clause (g), the following clause shall be inserted namely:-'(ga) "fee plaza" means any building, structure or booth made for collection of fee;';
 - (ii) for clause (hb), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:-'(hb) "FASTag lane of fee plaza" is an exclusive lane in the fee plaza for movement of vehicles fitted with "FASTag" or any such device;';
 - (iii) clause (o) shall be omitted.
- 3. In the said rules, in rule 4, in sub-rule (2) for the words "The rate of fee", the words "The fee" shall be substituted.
- 4. In the said rules, in rule 6, for the words "toll plaza" wherever they occur, the words "fee plaza" shall be substituted.
- 5. In the said rules, in rule 8, for the words "toll plaza" wherever they occur, the words "fee plaza" shall be substituted.
- 6. In the said rules, in rule 9, for the words "toll plaza" wherever they occur, the words "fee plaza" shall be substituted.
- 7. In the said rules, in rule 10, for the words "toll plaza" wherever they occur, the words "fee plaza" shall be substituted.
- 8. In the said rules, in rule 11,-
 - (i) the brackets and figure, "(1)" shall be omitted;
 - (ii) after clause (d), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:-
 - "(e) specially designed and constructed for use of a person suffering from some physical defect or disability."
- 9. In the said rules, in rule 12, for the words "toll plaza" wherever they occur, the words "fee plaza" shall be substituted.
- 10. In the said rules, in rule 17, for the words "toll plaza" wherever they occur, the words "fee plaza" shall be substituted.

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