Government of India
Ministry of Road Transport & Highways

Transport Bhavan, 1 Parliament Street
New Delhi 110001.
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To,

The Principal Secretaries (Transport)/ Transport Commissioner of all the States & UTs.

Subject:- Use of Helmets.

Madam /Sir,

Your attention is drawn to the provisions of Section 129 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, according to which it is mandatory for every person riding a two wheeler to wear a protective head gear conforming to BIS standards. The exception to this mandatory clause have been provided in respect of persons of Sikh community wearing the turban. In addition some states have extended the exception to other categories also.

2. Under Rule 134(4)(f) Central Government had mandated that a manufacturers to two wheeler has to supply at least one protective head gear to tall the buyers except those specifically exempted under Section 129 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988.

3. You may appreciate that a large number of road accidents occur due to non compliance of the provisions of Section 129 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 with regard to wearing of protective head gear.

4. You are requested to please carry an enforcement drive to ensure that all the persons riding two wheeler wear protective head gear. You are also requested to ensure that dealers at the time of sale compulsorily supply a protective head gear of the size as required by the customer. The supply of the protective head gear as per the standards of

BIS should be duly reflected in the sale invoice issued by the dealer to the purchaser. Dealers may be requested to ensure stock of more than one brand of helmet so as offer to reasonable choice to the customer so as to avoid monopolistic situation.

Yours faithfully,

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