

## All India Road Transport Workers' Federation

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## General Secretary : K.K.Divakaran

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The Managing Directors of TSRTC & APSRTC, Bus Bhawan, Hyderabad & RTC house, Vijayawada. Respected Sir,

Sub: Restoration of Services between AP & Telangana –Requested – Reg.

I would like to draw your kind attention to the above subject. The Ministry of Home Affairs has cleared the way for operation of Transport including interstate during unlock down 4.0. The Private Contract Service operators have started their operations between AP & Telangana. But ironically, the State Transport Corporation services are not yet restored. While taking undue advantage of this, the people of both the states are put to suffer a lot and the private contract carriage operators are looting the passengers by charging 3 to 5 times the normal fares. This has become an attractive news to the media both print and electronic media. This is very unfortunate and not good for the image of both the states. Hence, it is humbly requested to restore the pre lock down services with immediate effect as the big festival, Navaratri is fast approaching. Whatever the issues between the two corporations, can be resolved in peaceful and respectful manner. If necessary, the Director ASRTU and the transport experts from both the states can also be involved for a settlement.

This is to inform that one Official from APSRTC told that they have placed many proposals before the TSRTC Officials to resolve the dispute during the negotiations and ironically, TSRTC Officials have turned down the proposals saying that unless and until the dispute resolves and an agreement is arrived between the two states via media proposals are not agreeable to TSRTC. TSRTC Officials have to clarify on these proposals. The main 3 Proposals placed before TSRTC said to be are hereunder.

- 1) To start with both the Corporations will start Operations to a tune of 70,000 KMs each till the dispute is resolved.
- 2) The total services in the sectors of Hyderabad- Kurnool and jilugumalli etc will be handed over to TSRTC
- 3) APSRTC will pay double tax to the extent of the disputed KMs and allow APSRTC to operate services.
  - It seems that the proposals placed by the APSRTC Officials are reasonable and it is unknown why TSRTC Officials have turned down as the services were in operation Till 1<sup>st</sup> lock down, ie on 25<sup>th</sup> March. I tried to call the ED (O) of TSRTC to confirm the news. But I could not get him by the time of writing this letter. It is highly UN imaginable to understand why this disputes came to fore after unlock down came to existence and more particularly, the private contract carriage operators are allowed to operate between the two states.

I sincerely hope that the respectable Managing Directors of both the Corporations will strive their best for the restoration of the services as were operated before the lock down or at least to start with some intermediate arrangement in the interest of the finances of both the Corporations and the people.

**Yours Sincerely** 

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General Secretary