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Circular No. - MOJ/SEC/01

To all Courts,

*Through*

Secretary,

Judicial Service Commission.

**Conducting of court functions without interruption during the period of movement restrictions due to Covid-19**

**Payment for private conveyance**

In spite of the re-emergence of Covid - 19 pandemic in the country, there exists a need to continue the court functions throughout the country without interruption, for which necessity has now arisen to summon at least a limited number of officers in strict compliance with the health guidelines so as to restore such essential services amidst lack of public conveyance. Therefore, for so long as the public conveyance will return to normal or until such time an alternative means of transport facilities will be made available to those officers, I kindly inform to make payments for traveling as indicated below.

1. As per the provisions in clauses 7 and 8 of Chapter XIV of the Establishments Code, it is permitted to pay fare for mileage within the distance of 50 Kms. in case of officers who are entitled to obtain mileage and travel by private vehicle or private hired vehicle. (Subject to maximum limit of 100 Kms. for both arrival and return journey.) In making payment, of the two criteria of either occupation/residence or 50 Kms., the criteria whichever is least may be considered.

2. As per the provisions in clause 8:1:2 Chapter XIV of the Establishments Code, approval is hereby granted to pay applicable fare for mileage for motor car in terms of clause 8:2 thereof in case of Registrar, Deputy Registrar, Accountant, Technical Officer.
3. Approval is also granted to pay a motor cycle allowance for members of the staff save and except for the staff officers as provided for in clause 8:2 of Chapter XIV of the Establishments Code subject however to the limits of distance as specified in paragraph 1 above. It is hereby authorized that such allowance may be made for any alternative mode of travelling.
4. I wish to state that your reporting for duties amidst much inconvenience during this difficult situation is absolutely commendable and the Ministry of Justice highly appreciates for your commitment and dedication for discharging your duties.

This is also inform that this Circular takes effect with effect from 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2012.

**Sgd,/**  
**M.M.P.K. Mayadunne**  
**Secretary**  
Ministry of Justice

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