## No.RT-11036/178/2021-MVL-Part(1) Government of India Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MVL Section)

Transport Bhawan, 1, Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001

Dated the February, 2024

To,

The Director General of Police, All State Governments/ Administration of Union Territories

## Subject: Implementation of GSR 164 (E) dated 25.02.2022 and provisions of Chapter XII of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 ("MV Act")- reg.

Sir/ Ma'am,

I am directed to say that this Ministry has been arrayed as a party in number of litigations before the Hon'ble Supreme Court and various Hon'ble High Courts of the country, whereby the litigants are aggrieved due to non-acceptance of their claim petitions by Claim Tribunals, because the applicant was rendered unable to file the application for compensation within the stipulated period of six months, as per Section 166(3) of the MV Act. It has been observed that in most cases the applicants could not receive the accident information reports within the specified time, resulting in delay in filing the claim petitions.

2. In this regard, attention is invited to the following provisions:

- i. Rule 150A of the Central Motor Vehicle Rules, 1989 ("CMVR") read with Clause 2 of Annexure XIII of the CMVR mandates the Investigating Officer to intimate the accident to the Claims Tribunal within forty-eight (48) hours of the accident, by submitting the First Accident Report (FAR), in Form I and also upload on the website of the State Police.
- ii. Section 159 of the MV Act read with Clause 12 of Annexure XIII of the CMVR requires police officers to submit accident information report to the Claims Tribunal within a period of three months from the date of accident. According to Section 166(4) such accident information report is to be treated as an application for compensation.

3. In the light of the above, Director General of Police of all States are requested to issue necessary directions to the concerned Investigation Officers to comply with provisions of the Motor Vehicle Act and the rules made thereunder in both letter and spirit.

Yours faithfully,

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