

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

T,R&B Department – Extension of free travel facility to Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) covered under Section 2(zc) of RPWD Act 2016, with disability 40% and more in all Stree Shakti eligible buses viz., City Ordinary, Metro Express, Pallevelugu, Ultra Pallevelugu and Express buses duly providing 50% concession to the eligible escorts in the above category of buses -To continue the existing facility of providing 50% concession in fare in Non-stop, Interstate, Saptagiri Express and Ultra Deluxe buses (not covered under Stree Shakti Scheme) to the said PwDs including to their escorts as per disability criteria adopted by APSRTC - Orders - Issued.

TRANSPORT, ROADS & BUILDINGS (PTD.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 21

Dated: 28-02-2026

Read the following:-

1. e-File bearing Computer No.3070064 received from the WCD&SC Welfare Department.
2. Govt. Memo.No.2679525/14/2025-PTD.I, Dated 21.12.2025
3. From the Commissioner, PTD Letter No.M2/543(38)/2025- OPD(M), dated 13.02.2026

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ORDER:

“Indhradhanussu” is an Inclusive Development Programme for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs), outlining seven major welfare measures (7 boons) aimed at strengthening accessibility, welfare and social inclusion. One among these seven boons is the provision of free transport facilities for PwDs in State Transport services and the same form part of the Government’s commitment to making Andhra Pradesh a disability-friendly State. On the eve of the International Day of Persons with Disabilities, Government announced to implement the free travel for all eligible PwDs along with escorts, wherever assistance is required, in certain services of Andhra Pradesh State Road Transport Corporation(APSRTC)/Public Transport Department (PTD).

2. After careful examination of the proposals of the Commissioner, Public Transport Department & E.O. VC&MD, APSRTC, A.P., Vijayawada in the letter 3rd read above, Government hereby extend the free travel facility to all Persons with Disabilities

(PWDs) covered under Section 2(zc) of RPWD Act 2016, with disability 40% and more in all Stree Shakti eligible buses viz., City Ordinary, Metro Express, Pallevelugu, Ultra Pallevelugu and Express buses duly providing 50% concession to the eligible escorts in the above category of buses; to continue the existing facility of providing 50% concession in fare in Non-stop, Interstate, Saptagiri Express and Ultra Deluxe buses (not covered under Stree Shakti Scheme) to the said PwDs including to their escorts as per disability criteria adopted by APSRTC.

3. Government shall reimburse the subsidy to APSRTC/APPTD based on the actuals furnished by the Commissioner, PTD & E.O. VC&MD, APSRTC, Vijayawada.

4. The Commissioner, Public Transport Department & E.O. VC&M.D., APSRTC, A.P, Vijayawada shall take necessary action in the matter, accordingly and communicate clear instructions to the officials and staff down below about the eligibility criteria for beneficiaries and of escorts.

5. This order is issued with the concurrence of the Finance (TR&B) Department vide their U.O. No. FIN01-FMU0MISC(null)/186/2025- FMU-TR-B, Computer No. 2875980, dated 27/02/2026.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**MOVVA TIRUMALA KRISHNA BABU
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Commissioner, PTD & Ex-Officio VC&MD., APSRTC, Vijayawada.

Copy to:

The G.A. (Cabinet.I) Dept.,

The Finance (FMU-TR&B) Department

All the Collectors & District Magistrates in the State

The Pay and Accounts Officer, Mangalagiri

The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Mangalagiri

The Principal Accountant General, Vijayawada

The PS to Secretary to CM, CMO, A.P. Secretariat

The OSD to Chief Secretary to Govt., A.P. Secretariat

The OSD to Minister for Transport, Youth & Sports.

The PS to Spl. CS to Govt., T,R&B Department.

Sf/Sc (2679525).

// FORWARDED::BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER