

It has been decided to take up the matter with Port Blair Municipal Council for providing basic amenities in the private Bus Stand.

(Action by Secretary, STA)

6. It has been decided that at present no action needs to be taken on the representation received from the General Secretary, Rashtriya Janata Auto Union for increase of auto fare, till further information is gathered and cost analysis is prescribed before STA in respect of all kinds of transport vehicles.
7. S.T.A desired that penal action of suspension of stage carriage permits for the following buses may be taken:

(I) (a) Bus bearing Registration No. AN 01 A 9294

It has been reported by Shri.R.K.Mazumder, Sub-Inspector of Police that on 13.10.2009 the bus bearing Regn. No. AN 01 A 9294 hit a passenger who was standing at Garacharna junction due to which he fell down and the rear left tyre of the bus passed over the person and he succumbed to the injury and died on the spot.

- (b) Complaint has been received from Shri.K.C.Roy, S/o Late J.C.Roy that the bus bearing Regn. No. AN 01 A 9294 did not stop at the place near Bharat Sevashram, Sippighat on 4.11.2009 at 8.10 AM where he was waiting for the bus to stop. Further, on 11.12.2009 at 11.15 AM, even before the complainant could board the bus at the above said spot, the driver marched the bus. Only because the conductor immediately whistled the bus to stop, he could get inside the bus. Summons was therefore issued to the owner.

In reply the owner Shri.Mukunda Mondal has stated that the victim was standing near the drainage canal in inebriated condition. He could not control himself and lost his balance and came under the bus while it marched. This was an unexpected incident beyond the control of the staff members.

As regards the allegation made by Shri.K.C.Roy, it is stated to be false one to harass them. Further stated that they used to stop the bus even at places where there is no stoppage for the benefit of needy passengers. As regards his alleged complaint regarding the incident occurred on 11.12.2009, this also stated to be an act to harass them. As usual during mid-day there were sufficient vacant seats, the complainant stepped inside the bus and immediately took a seat opposite the foot board and the bus marched forward.

The owner has therefore pleaded not guilty and requested to consider his explanation.

(II) Bus bearing Registration No. AN 01 A-7189

One Smti.Celina Kerketta, W/o Theodor Lakra, R/o Hasmatabad has complained that she has been charged with the fare of Rs.4.00 vide ticket No.023858 by the conductor of the bus bearing Regn. No. AN 01 A-7189 on 11.12.2009 at about 3.15 PM for the journey performed by her from Hasmatabad to Bathu Basti in spite of her requests not to charge any fare as she is a handicapped person and has shown the valid pass issued by the competent authority.

A summons was therefore issued to appear on 29.1.2009. But till the date of STA meeting on 19.1.2010 neither the owner Shri.A.Thaimam, S/o