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**Press Note**

**Chandigarh, August 16: Today Sh Mahavir Kaushik, Secretary, State Transport Authority, U.T. Chandigarh, called a meeting of representatives of All India Tourist Buses, Contract Carriage Buses, LPG Auto Rickshaws, Radio Auto and Radio Taxi operators, ahead of the Commonwealth Games.**

**The Secretary, STA, apprised them, that a lot of tourists are expected to visit Chandigarh during the Common Wealth Games. He stressed on the fact that the spirit of 'Atithi Devobhav' should prevail among all tourist vehicle operators. Secretary, STA, told them that drivers of all the vehicles should be well behaved and in complete uniform. He said, fully functional fire extinguishers, first aid box, and complaint/ suggestion book should be available in the vehicles. They must charge according to fare meter. He laid stress on the internal as well as external maintenance of the vehicles. They must also, at all times, carry 'pollution under control' certificate.**

**He further added that the documents regarding the vehicle must be complete in all manners, the drivers must have driving license and that the Global Positioning System should be operative in Radio Taxis and Radio Autos. Any complaint from the tourists or the general public will invite stern action against the guilty under relevant provisions of Motor Vehicles Act /Rules, added Mr Kaushik.**

**The meeting was attended by Gurdeep Singh from Banga Tourist, Tara Singh from Tara Brothers, Manjeet Singh from Nijjer Tourist as representative of All India/contract carriage bus operators, Harcharan Singh and Kamal Kant representing**

**LPG Auto Rickshaw Operators, Amandeep Kaushal, Col V. S. Dhillon from Radio Taxi and H.S. Maan and Prem Singh from Radio Auto.**