In pursuance of the provisions of clause (3) of Article 348 of the Constitution, the Governor is pleased to order the publication of following English Translation of notification.

Uttar Pradesh Shasan
Audhyogik Vikas Anubhag-3
No. 615/77-3-10, dated 19 February, 2010.

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers under Section 2 read with Section 9 in INDIAN Toll Act, 1851 (Act No. 8 of 1851) as amended in its application to Uttar Pradesh and all other power enabling him in this behalf the Governor is pleased to make the following rules with a view to regulating the fees to be charged and the toll levied or and realised from all persons, incharge of vehicles, using the expressway and all bridges including interchanges and flyovers, railway over bridges and under bridges, bypass line of expressway constructed on Public Private Partnership basis under the control of the State Government or any other authorities by notification authorised by it or concessionaire authorised under provisions of concession agreement in this behalf.

The Uttar Pradesh Expressway (Levy of Tolls and fixing of Fees and realisation there of) Rules, 2010

1. Short title and commencement

1(1) These rules may be called The Uttar Pradesh Expressway (Levy of Tolls and fixing of Fees and realisation there of) Rules, 2010

1(2) They shall come into force at once.

2. Definition

2(1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires:

(a) “Act” means the Indian Toll Act 1851;

(b) “Base year” means the period commencing on the 1st day of April 2009 and ending with 31st day of March 2010;

(c) “Bypass” means a section of the expressway bypassing a town or city.

(d) “Bridge” means a structure having a length of exceeding 6 metres between the inner faces of the dirt walls for carrying traffic or other moving loads over a depression or obstruction such as channel, road or railway;

(e) “Car” or “Jeep” or “Van” or “light motor vehicle” means any mechanical vehicle the gross vehicle weight of which does not exceed seven thousand five hundred kilograms or the registered passenger carrying capability as specified in the certificate of registration issued under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 does not exceed twelve excluding the driver.
“Concession agreement” means an agreement entered into between the Uttar Pradesh Government/authority notified by the State Government and any person or persons for construction, operation or maintenance of infrastructure.

“Concessionaire” means a person who has entered into a concession agreement with the Uttar Pradesh Government/authority notified by the State Government;

“Executing authority” means an officer or authority notified by the State Government

“Expressway” means a highway having a divided carriageway suitable for high speed traffic and with control of access which is constructed, operated or maintained under a concession agreement;

“Elevated highway” means any section of Expressway raised above ground level through support of piers or columns.

“Financial year” means the period of twelve calendar months commencing on the 1st day of April of a year and ending with 31st day of March of the succeeding year.

“Gross vehicle weight” in respect of any means the total weight of the vehicle and load certified and registered by the registering authority as permissible for that vehicle under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (Act, No. 59 of 1988);

“Heavy construction machinery” or earth moving equipment” or multi axle vehicle” or heavy truck means heavy construction machinery or earth moving equipment or mechanical vehicle including a multi axle vehicle with three to six axles or vehicle with a gross vehicle weight exceeding twenty thousand kilogram but less than sixty thousand kilogram; and

“Interchange” means a grade separated intersection with connecting roadways;

“Lane” means a lane forming part of the main carriageway and having a minimum width of three meters and fifty centimeters;

“Light Commercial Vehicle” or “light goods vehicle” or “mini bus” means any mechanical vehicles with a gross vehicle weight exceeding seven thousand five hundred kilogram but less than twelve thousand kilogram to the registered passenger carrying capability as specified in the certificate of registration issued under the Motor Vehicles Act 1988, exceeds twelve but does not exceed thirty two excluding the driver.

“Mechanical vehicle” means any vehicle driven under its own power including a motor vehicle as defined under the Motor Vehicle Act, 1988;

“Oversized vehicle” means any goods carrier with seven or more axles or vehicle with a gross weight exceeding sixty thousand kilograms.
“Public private partnership project” means a project relating to section of expressway, including all permanent bridges, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB, bypass or tunnel lying on it for which an agreement is entered into with a concessionaire:

“Railway over/under bridge” (ROB/RUB) means and includes a road over bridge/underbridge that crosses above/under a railway track and which is constructed, operated or maintained under a concession agreement;

“Service road” means a road running parallel to a section of the expressway which provides access to the land adjoining such section of the expressway.

“Toll or fee” means the toll levied per kilometre or permetre, as the case may be, payable by the user of a project highway, permanent bridge, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB or road overbridge/underbridge, bypass or tunnel under these Rules;

“Toll plaza” means any building, structure or booth made for collection of fee:

“Truck” or "bus" means any mechanical vehicle with a gross vehicle weight exceeding twelve thousand kilogram but less than twenty thousand kilogram or the registered passenger carrying as specified in the certificate of registration issued under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, exceeds thirty two excluding the driver;

Wholesale Price Index (WPI) means the Wholesale Price Index as published by the Ministry of Industry, Government of India or any Index published in substitution thereof by the Government of India.

3. LEVY OF FEE

(1) The State Government may, by notification, levy fee for use of any section of expressway, for express evacuation for travelers permanent bridge, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB, bypass or tunnel forming part of the expressway, as the case may be, in accordance with the provision of these rules;

(2) In the case of private investment project, the collection of fee levied under sub-rule (1) shall be made during the concession period in accordance with the terms of the agreement entered into by the Concessionaire and shall commence from the date of completion of the Expressway. No pedestrian or non-motorized vehicle or unregistered vehicle is allowed to use any section of the expressway permanent bridge, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB, bypass or tunnel, as the case may be.

Provided that in an emergency situation such as breakdown of running vehicle, the occupant of the vehicle shall be allowed to use expressway, permanent bridge, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB, bypass or tunnel, as the case may be.

(3) No fee shall be levied for the use of the section of expressway, permanent bridge, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB, bypass or tunnel, as the case may be, from vehicles plying on service roads only.

Provided further that irrespective of availability of service road, the owner, driver or the person in charge of a two wheeler, three wheeler and legally registered tractor is making use of the section of expressway, permanent bridge, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB, bypass or tunnel, as the case may be, he or she shall be charged fifty per cent of the fee levied on a car.
The fee notified by the State Government under these rules shall the rounded off and levied in multiple of the nearest Rupees five.

4. BASE RATE OF FEE

The rate of fee for use of a section of Expressway of six/eight lanes shall, for the base year 2009-10, be the product of length of such section multiplied by the following rates, namely:

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<th>Type of Vehicle</th>
<th>Base rate of fee per km (in Rupees) based on WPI of week ending on 3rd Jan. 2009 (WPI 229.20) for the year 2009-2010</th>
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<td>Car, Jeep, Van or Light Motor Vehicle</td>
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<td>Light Commercial Vehicle, Light Goods Vehicle or Mini Bus</td>
<td>1.30</td>
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The rate of fee for the use of structures interalia including permanent bridge, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB, bypass or tunnel constructed with the completed cost exceeding Rupees ten crore shall, for the base year 2009-2010, be as follows:

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<th>Cost of permanent bridge or tunnel (Rupees in crore)</th>
<th>Car, Jeep, Van or Light Motor Vehicle</th>
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<td>10 to 15</td>
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<td>For every additional five crore or part thereof, exceeding Rupees fifteen crore and up to</td>
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<td>Rupees one hundred crore</td>
<td>For every additional Rupees five crore or part thereof, exceeding Rupees one hundred crore and up to Rupees two hundred crore.</td>
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Provided that while computing fee from commercial operation date, for the section of expressway on which structures interalia including a permanent bridge, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB, bypass or tunnel costing Rupees fifty crore or more is situated, the length of such permanent bridge, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB, bypass or tunnel shall be excluded from the length of such section of expressway and fee shall be levied at the rates specified above for such permanent bridge, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB, bypass and tunnel.

Provided further that where the cost of such permanent bridge, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB, bypass or tunnel, as the case may be, is less than Rupees fifty crore, and the said permanent bridge, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB, bypass or tunnel, form part of the section of expressway, then instead of above rate of fee, the rate of fee specified under sub rule (1) of rule 4 shall be applicable for such permanent bridge, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB, bypass or tunnel.

Explanation: - for the purpose of this sub-rule: the cost for private investment project, shall be the completion cost as assessed by the statutory auditor of the Concessionaire;

5. Annual revision of rate of fee

(1) The rates specified under rule 4 shall be increased each year with effect from the 1st day of April, 2010.

(2) The applicable rates shall be revised annually with effect from April 1 each year to reflect the increase in wholesale price index between the week ending on January 3, 2009 (i.e. 229.20) and the week ending on/or immediately after January 1 of the year in which such revision is undertaken.
but such revision shall be restricted to forty per cent of the increase in wholesale price index (rounded to nearest 5 paise).

(3) The formula for determining the applicable rate of fee shall be as follows:

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\text{Applicable rate of fee} = \text{base rate} + \text{base rate} \times \frac{\text{WPI}_A - \text{WPI}_B}{\text{WPI}_B} \times 0.4
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Explanation:
(a) applicable rate of fee shall be the revised rate payable by the user under rule 4 sub rule(1);

(b) base rate for Expressway for the year 2009-10 excluding the completed cost of structures interalia permanent bridge, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB, bypass or tunnel shall be as :

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(c) In case of structures interalia including permanent bridges, interchanges, flyovers, ROB/RUBs, bypass or tunnel where completion cost assessed by statutory auditor of the Concessionaire is Rs. 50 crores or more, the toll fee as per sub rule 4 (2) shall in addition to the above rates in sub rule 5(3)(b) or sub rule 4(1) also be revised.

(d) WPI A means the wholesale price index of the week ending on or subsequent to 1st January immediately preceding the date of revision under these rules; and

(e) WPI B means the wholesale price index of the week ending on 3rd January, 2009 i.e. 229.20.

Illustration:
If the revision of toll rates for an Expressway is to be made for the year 2010 -11 and 2011 -12 by applying the wholesale price index (say 240 in week ending on or subsequent to 02 Jan, 2010 and 260 in week ending on or subsequent to 01 Jan, 2011), then the rate for car, jeep or van will be as computed below:

Applicable rate of fee for car, jeep or van per km:

(i) For the year 2010 -11 = 0.80 + 0.80 \((240 - 229.20)\times 0.4\) = 0.815 say Rs. 0.80
(ii) For the year 2011-12 = 0.80 + 0.80(260 – 229.20) x 0.4 = 0.843 say Rs.0.85

(4) Annual revision of rate of fee under these rules shall be effective from first of April every year.

6. Collection of fee

(1) Fee levied under these rules shall be collected by the concessionaire at the toll plaza.

(2) Every driver, owner or person in charge of a mechanical vehicle shall for the use of the section of expressway, permanent bridge, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB, bypass or tunnel, before crossing the toll plaza, pay the fee specified under these rules.

(3) The fee collected under these rules shall be paid either in cash or through smart card or on board unit (transponder) or any other suitable device.

Provided that additional charge as decided by concessionaire shall be realized for making the payment of fee by use of a smart card or on board unit (transponder) or any other suitable device.

(4) Any driver, owner or person in charge of a mechanical vehicle who opts for the installation of on board unit (transponder/OBU) or any other suitable device for payment of fee, shall deposit a refundable security towards the cost of the equipment with the concessionaire for such installation and no interest shall accrue on such security deposit.

(5) The person receiving such fee under sub-rule (2) of rule 6, shall issue to the driver, owner person in charge of mechanical vehicle a receipt specifying therein the date and time of such receipt of fee, total amount received, and the class of vehicle for which the fee has been received;

Provided that where the fee paid through smart card or on board unit (transponder) or any other suitable device, a receipt shall be issued on demand only. Any driver, owner or person in charge of a mechanical vehicle not in possession of OBU or smart card but opts to use dedicated lanes meant for OBU/smart card may be required to pay additional fees equal to five times of the applicable fees to the concessionaire in addition to applicable fees.

7. Remittance and appropriation of fee

(1) In case of private investment projects, the fee collected under the provision of these rules shall be appropriated by the concessionaire in accordance with the provision of and for the performance of its obligation under the agreement entered into by such concessionaire.

8. Location of the plaza

(1) Normally the executing authority or the concessionaire, as the case may be, shall establish a toll plaza beyond a distance of ten kilometers from a municipal or local town area limits; but in exceptional cases where a section of the expressway,
permanent bridge, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB, bypass, or tunnel, as the case may be, is constructed within the municipal or town area limits or within five kilometers from such limits, primarily for use of the residents of such municipal or town area, the toll plaza may be established within the municipal or town area limits or within a distance of five kilometers from such limits.

(2) Normally no other toll plaza on the same section of expressway and in the same direction shall not be established within distance of sixty kilometers; but in exceptional cases where the executing authority deems necessary, it may for reasons to be recorded in writing, establish or allow the concessionaire to establish another toll plaza within a distance of sixty kilometers:

Provided that toll plaza/plazas may be established within a distance of sixty kilometers from another toll plaza if such toll plaza is for collection of fee for a permanent bridge, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB, bypass, or tunnel or expressway to avoid leakage of toll.

9. Discounts

(1) The executing authority or the concessionaire, as the case may be, shall upon request provide a pass for multiple journeys to cross a toll plaza within the specified period at the rates specified in sub-rule (2).

(2) The Concessionaire shall, upon request from any person, issue a return pass on payment of a sum equal to 160% (one hundred and sixty per cent) of the Fee payable for the respective vehicle if it were to undertake a single one-way trip on the Expressway. Such return pass shall entitle the specified vehicle to undertake a return journey on the same day as the outward journey.

(3) The Concessionaire shall, upon request from any person for issue of 20(twenty) or more one-way toll tickets, issue such tickets at a discounted rate equivalent to 80% (eighty per cent) of the Fee payable for the respective particular registered vehicle. Such discounted tickets shall entitle the specified vehicle to commute on the Expressway by using one ticket for a single one-way trip at any time during a period of one calendar month or part thereof.

(4) No pass shall be issued or fee collected from a driver, owner or person in charge of a mechanical vehicle that uses part of the section of expressway and does not cross a toll plaza.

10. Rate of fee for overloading

(1) Without prejudice to the liability of the driver, owner or a person in charge of a mechanical vehicle under any law for the time being in force, a mechanical vehicle which is loaded in excess of the permissible load specified for its category under sub-rule (1) of rule 4, shall be liable to pay fee at such rate which is applicable for the next higher category of mechanical vehicles.

Provided that the payment of such fee for overloading shall not entitle a driver or owner or a person in charge of a mechanical vehicle to make use of such expressway and his or her vehicle shall be prevented from using the expressway or
crossing the toll plaza until the excess load has been removed from such mechanical vehicle.

(2) The weight of mechanical vehicle, as recorded at a weighbridge installed at the toll plaza shall be the basis for levying the fee for overloading under this rule.

Provided that where no weighbridge has been installed at the plaza, no fee for overloading shall be levied and collected under this rule and the driver, owner or person in charge of the mechanical vehicle shall be liable to pay fee applicable for such vehicle only.

11. Exemption from payment of fee

(1) No fee shall be levied and collected from a mechanical vehicle:

(a) transporting and accompanying:
   i. the President of India;
   ii. the Vice-President of India;
   iii. the Prime- Minister of India;
   iv. the Chief Justice of India;
   v. the Governors;
   vi. the Lieutenant Governors;
   vii. the Chief Ministers;
   viii. the Presiding Officers of Central and State Legislatures having jurisdiction;
   ix. the Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha and the State legislatures having jurisdiction;
   x. the Judges of Supreme Court;
   xi. the Chairman of the Legislative Council of the State;
   xii. the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the State;
   xiii. the Chief Justice of high Court;
   xiv. the Judges of High Court;
   xv. Ministers of Govt. of India
   xvi. Ministers of GoUP;
   xvii. Secretaries and Commissioners of GoUP
   xviii. Foreign dignitaries on State visit
   xix. Heads of Foreign Missions stationed in India using cars with CD symbol
   xx. All Government vehicles

(b) Vehicles used for official purposes by:-
   i. the Ministry of Defense including those which are eligible for exemption in accordance with the provisions of the Indian Toll (Army and Air Force) Act, 1901 and rules made there under, as extended to Navy also;
   ii. the Central and State armed forces in uniform including para military forces and police;
   iii. an executive Magistrate on duty;
   iv. the persons required to use the Expressway for discharging their statutory obligations in relation to the Site;
   v. a fire-fighting department or organization;
   vi. Officers of Concerned Expressway Authority; and
12. Display of information

(1) The executing authority or the concessionaire, as the case may be, shall publish a notice specifying the amount of fee to be charged from the mechanical vehicle, in at least one Newspaper, each in English and vernacular Language, having a wide circulation in such area.

(2) The Concessionaire shall prominently display in Hindi and English one thousand meters ahead of the toll plaza and in English and local language five hundred meters ahead of the toll plaza:

i. The amount of fee payable for each class of vehicles and the discounts available under rule 9;

ii. The categories of vehicles exempted from payment of fee: and

iii. The name, address and telephone or contact number of the concessionaire.

(3) The height of the display boards, their quality and size of lettering shall be clearly visible and legible to the users.

13. Unauthorized collection

(1) An officer authorized by the State Government or by the executing authority, as the case may be, may assess the excess fee collected, if any, by the executing authority or the concessionaire, as the case may be, and recover the same from such authority or concessionaire, along with an additional sum equal to twenty five percent of the excess fee collected.

Provided that no recovery of such excess fee shall be made unless an opportunity of hearing has been given to the executing authority or concessionaire, as the case may be.

(2) Any driver, owner or person in charge of a mechanical vehicle aggrieved by unauthorized collection of fee, may lodge a complaint with the officer authorized by the State Government or the executing authority, as the case may be, in this behalf, who shall after hearing the parties pass an order on such complaint for refund of excess payment and damages for the inconvenience suffered by such user within thirty days.

14. Failure to pay fee

(1) If any driver, owner or person in charge of a mechanical vehicle does not pay or refuses to pay the fee for use of expressway or part thereof, permanent bridge, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB, bypass or tunnel, his or her vehicle shall not be allowed to use such section of expressway, permanent bridge, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB, bypass or tunnel and in case such vehicle obstructs the normal flow of traffic, the executing authority or the concessionaire, as the case may be, may get such obstructing vehicle removed from the expressway, permanent bridge, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB, bypass or tunnel, as the case may be.
(2) Where the driver or the person in charge of a mechanical vehicle refuses or fails to pay the fee levied under these rules, the same shall be recovered from the registered owner of the mechanical vehicle.

(3) Where the State Government, executing authority or the concessionaire, as the case may be, has reason to believe that a mechanical vehicle is plying on a section of the expressway, permanent bridge, interchange, flyover, ROB/RUB, bypass or tunnel without payment of fee due, it may stop such vehicle for the purpose of verifying the payment thereof and collect the fee due along with an additional sum equal to fifty percent of fee from such vehicle.

15. Power of State Government to verify records

An officer duly authorized by the State Government or the executing authority, as the case may be shall have the power to verify the collection of fee, and inspect any document, records, other information, receipts or reports of the executing authority or the concessionaire, as the case may be.

16. Collection of fee in respect of Private Investment Project

(1) The fee levied under the provisions of sub-rule (2) of rule 3 shall be collected and retained by the concessionaire till its agreement is in force.

(2) On and from the date of expiry of the agreement specified under sub-rule (2) of rule 3, the fee levied shall be collected by the State Government or the executing authority, as the case may be.

17. Bar for installation of additional barrier

Normally no barrier shall be installed at any place, other than at the toll plaza, but in exceptional cases the State Government or the executing authority, after being satisfied that there is evasion of fee, may allow installation of additional barriers on such terms and conditions as it may impose. The installation of such barrier by the State Government, the executing authority or the concessionaire, as the case may be, shall be within ten kilometers from the toll plaza, to check the evasion of fee:

Provided that the State Government or the executing authority, as the case may be, may, at any time, for reasons to be recorded in writing withdraw such permission.

Provided further that where the State Government or the executing authority, as the case may be, do not allow installation of an additional barrier by the concessionaire, the reasons for such refusal shall be communicated to such concessionaire within a fortnight.

By Order

(V.N.Garg)
Principal Secretary