**MINISTRY OF LAND TRANSPORT AND LIGHT RAIL**

**COMMUNIQUE**

 The Ministry of Land Transport and Light Rail wishes to inform the public that, in view of the curfew period relating to COVID 19 pandemic, the Road Traffic (Paid Parking) Regulations 2002 and the Road Traffic (Parking Offences) Regulations 2004 have been respectively amended to make provision for the following:

1. where a reserved parking permit has expired during the period **starting on 20 March 2020 and ending on 15 June 2020**, the permit shall **not** be deemed to have expired and shall remain valid until **31 August 2020**. No surcharge of 50 per cent of the renewal fee shall be charged provided that the application for the renewal of the reserved parking permit is made **not later than 31 August 2020.** However, where no application for the renewal of a reserved parking permit is made by 31 August 2020, the permit shall lapse.
2. where a person has been served with a parking notice and the period of 7 days within which the penalty of 600 rupees was to be paid expired on or after 20 March 2020, the penalty of 600 rupees may be paid not later than 31 August 2020. In cases where the 7 days within which the penalty of Rs600 was to be paid expired on 19 March 2020, a penalty of 1,000 rupees may be paid not later than 31 August 2020.

2. The Ministry relies on the usual understanding and collaboration of the public.

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