GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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CAOs, DMW/Patiala, WPO/Patna, COFMOW/NDLS, RWP/Bela, CAO/IRAF

Sub: Allotment of temporary Stalls/Trolleys for short duration during Mela/Festival time.


With reference to GM/SR’s letter at (1) and Board’s letter at (2) above, Board (MT, FC & CRB) have approved the following:

1. Delegation of Powers with regard to temporary catering stalls/trolleys for short duration (Mela/Festival time), presently exercised by Railway Board are delegated to GMs of the Zonal Railway through PCCMs.

2. The temporary catering stalls/trolleys will be approved for a period of 30 days, and further extendable to another maximum 30 days by recording the reasons for meeting additional demand of passengers.

3. The terms and conditions will be similar to, as issued vide Railway Board’s letter no 2012/TG-III/600/21 dated 08.01.19 (copy enclosed) except duration of allotment.

4. Other extant instructions/guidelines issued from Board on the subject(s) remain unchanged or as modified from time to time.

This issues with the concurrence of Associate Finance of Transformation Cell of Railway Board.

Kindly acknowledge the receipt and ensure compliance.

[Signature]
(22.10.19)
(Umesh Balonda)
Executive Director/S&T
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1. PFAs, All Indian Railways & Production Units
2. The ADAI (Railways), New Delhi
3. The Director of Audit, All Indian Railways

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7. The Executive Director, Indian Railways Centre for Advanced Maintenance Technology, Gwalior.
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9. The Registrar, Railway Claims Tribunal, Delhi.
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12. The Secretary, Railway Rates Tribunal, Chennai.
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3. All AMs, Principal Executive Director & Executive Directors of Railway Board

(Umesh Balonda)
Executive Director/S&T
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The proposal of Northern Railway for allotment of temporary Stalls/Trolleys for meeting additional demands of passengers during ‘Kumbh Mela’ has been examined in Board’s office. Competent authority has now decided as under:-

1. Divisions shall assess the station wise requirement of additional catering/vending stalls/trolleys and fix their locations. The validity of these allotments shall be for a maximum period of 60 days, not extending beyond 10 days after end of Kumbh Mela.

2. Locations of the trolley should also be fixed, and these trolleys shall not to be allowed to move.

3. Licensee will be allowed to sell standard items like Tea/coffee, standard meal, Janta meal etc. in addition to a-la-carte item as per the menu and Tariff approved by the Railways.

4. Although instructions exist to progressively reduce cooking on platforms, Zonal Railway may follow the instructions issued in this regard vide Board’s letter no. 2011/TG-III/600/14 dated 19-25/04.2012. Zonal Railway may permit restricted cooking on platforms of stations except in case of sub-urban stations for preparation of food items like tea, poori-bhaji, dosa, vada, pakoda, samosa & other small consumable items. Accordingly; Zonal Railway should encourage Electrical Induction Cooking appliances and use of LPG for this purpose in line with the extant safety guidelines.

5. Minimum licence fee shall be fixed at 12% of the estimated sales turnover on daily basis for the said units. Minimum reserve price shall be fixed based on the realistic factors such as (i) category of station, (ii) type of licence, (iii) number of originating passengers, (iv) number of trains stopping (day & night), (vi) duration of stoppages (vi) location of the unit at the station, (vii) approximate licence fees of a similar type of unit at a similar category of station in proximity.

6. Only Trolleys shall be permitted to avoid temporary construction of stalls by the Railway.

7. The temporary licenses for this purpose may be allotted by the Railway following any of the two methods: (a) open tender (b) or following the limited quotations by division. Other eligibility criteria, terms & conditions of contracts should be fixed based on the latest SBD for GMUs for respective category of stations issued by Railway Board.

8. The level of tender committee may be decided depending upon the value of the tender/quotations as per the SOP.

9. As this is totally a temporary arrangement, concept of Ceiling limit provided in Catering Policy-2017 shall not be applicable.

10. It may be ensured that a suitable legal clause is incorporated in the agreement so that the contracts do not continue beyond the agreed period.

This issues with the concurrence of the Finance Dte. of Ministry of Railways.

Vandana Bhatnagar
Executive Director/Catering
Railway Board

New Delhi, dated 01.2019

Copy to: Principal Financial Advisers, NR, NCR & NER for information and necessary action.

For Financial Commissioner, Railways