

Government of India  
Ministry of Railways  
(Railway Board)

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General Managers,  
All Zonal Railways.

Sub: Fraudulent refund on forged PRS tickets.

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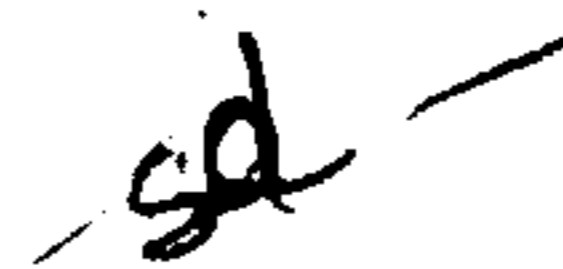
Embezzlement of cash by fraudulent refund on forged PRS tickets has been detected on one of the Railways. The *modus operandi* of the same is as under:-

1. Pilfering of pre-printed PRS ticket rolls by not printing /taking out blank cancellation ticket by placing plain paper over it or outright theft of rolls.
2. The forged tickets were subsequently printed from outside on computer on the basis of details available in the final chart.
3. Finally taking refund on the same after departure of the train, so that fraud is not immediately noticed.

Preliminary investigations in the matter have revealed that the system of submission of ROPD statement & refund tickets to traffic Accounts office was not properly being followed. Further a number of preprinted blank computer tickets were also found missing from the station. The employees *prima facie* found guilty have been arrested /placed under suspension. Further investigations in the matter are in progress.

It is, therefore, requested to arrange special checks to review the position obtaining on your Railway in this regard to rule out recurrence of such frauds. Suitable instructions may be issued in consultation with Commercial Department to field units to ensure vigilant checks while arranging such refunds and timely submission of ROPD statements to Traffic Accounts Office for internal check.


Kindly acknowledge receipt and send an action taken report for Board's information at the earliest.



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