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MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

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My dear General Manager,

Sub: Expediting the process of challenging the arbitration award

A reference has been received from Law Ministry that one case has sent to Ld. Additional Solicitor General of India to challenge an arbitration award after a period of more than 120 days from the date of award and he has opined that *"it has become eminent for the railway authority dealing with the contract and arbitration to remain very vigilant in challenging the award without wasting time of even a single day to protect the railway from suffering from any financial burden."* He has also remarked that the file movement was stopped at some place so that the limitation period expires. Hence, the provision of limitation of 90 days under section 34(3) of the Arbitration & Conciliation Act, 1996 has to be taken very seriously.

2. Following the guidelines under Section 34 of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996, and maintaining a structured and timely approach will help prevent such delays in the future. Zonal Railways to implement strict internal timelines and regular follow-ups to ensure that all necessary steps are completed within the stipulated timeframe. It is expected that these cases are monitored both at HQ as well as divisional level.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,


(Satish Kumar)

**General Managers
All Zonal Railways**