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भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
रेल मंत्रालय MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
रेलवे बोर्ड (RAILWAY BOARD)

No. 2023/Coaching/33/15

New Delhi, Dated 17.09.2024

The General Manager (Optg.)
All Indian Railways
Managing Director, KRCL, Navi Mumbai

Subject : Review of FTR Policy

Reference : 1. Board's letter of even no. dated 11.01.2024.
2. Board's letter of even no. dated 31.01.2020.

1. In view of the growing demand for FTR services and persistent requests from Zonal Railways seeking permission to earmark more than 5 rakes stipulated earlier vide Board's letter under reference(2), Board, after due consideration, lifted the said restriction, subject to operational feasibility and availability of coaching stock, vide letter under reference (1) above.
2. Vide letter under reference (1) above, Zonal Railways have also been instructed not to permit FTR bookings during peak holiday seasons, such as Holi, Diwali, Dussehra, Chhath Puja, etc., as well as during General and State election periods. However, it has come to the notice of Board, that despite extant guidelines, FTR booking are being accepted by IRCTC/Zonal Railways even during the festive & election periods. Inordinate delays have been reported in finalizing the proposals causing inconvenience to the applicants of FTR. Even in cases where applications are received for booking during the restricted period, Zonal Railways are regretting the same at the last moment.
3. In view of the foregoing, it is reiterated that IRCTC / Zonal Railways during the periods indicated below should not accept the bookings:

Sl.	Period	Duration
1	Festivals	Seven days before and Seven days after Holi Seven days before Dussehra and upto Seven days after Chhath (entire period including Dipawali).
2	Holidays	During the Summer holidays(1 st May- 30 th June) During the Winter holidays(15 th December- 5 th January)
3	Special Occasions	Maha Khumbh at Prayagraj-2025 (Seven days before First Snan and Seven days after Last Snan.

4. These instructions will be applicable from the date of issue of this letter.
5. Other guidelines/instructions issued from time to time remain unchanged.

This has the approval of Member/O&BD.

17.09.24
(राजेश कुमार)

(Rajesh Kumar)

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रेलवे बोर्ड/Railway Board

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2. CMD/IRCTC, 11th Floor, Statesman House, Barakhamba Road, New Delhi 110001
3. CMD/CRIS, Chankyapuri, New Delhi-110021 for information and necessary changes in the software.
4. CPTM, All Zonal Railways
5. EDPM & EDME/Chg in Board's office.