GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (RAILWAY BOARD)

No.B(LWA)68/HER/56.

New Delhi, the 15th July 1968.

To

The General Managers, All Indian Railways.

Sub: Maramum limit of duty at a stretch for running staff.

Attention is invited to para 17(iii) of the Subsidiary Instructions to Sections 71A to 71H of the Indian Railways Act, 1890, and the Railway Servants (Hours of Employment) Rules, 1961, issued under Board's letter No. 8(3)1-58/Adj/25 dated 4.1.62. In addition to the provisions contained in the above Subsidiary Instruction, it has further been decided by the Board that the overall duty at a stretch of running staff from the time of 'signing on' should not exceed 14 hours and they should be entitled to claim relief after 14 hours, provided they have given two hours' notice for relief to the Controller. In other words, if running staff give notice at the end of 12 hours from the time they 'sign on', irrespective of whether they had done running duty of 12 hours or less, they would be entitled to relief at the end of 14 hours from the time of 'signing on'.

Attention is, however, invited to Board's letter No. B(Adj)52/8 dated 23.3.1954 requiring that all cases, where the normal time-table requires members of the running staff having to be on running duty for more than 10 hours at a stretch should be reviewed and brought within that limit.

3. The above orders should be implemented with immediate effect.

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