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

रेल भवन, नई दिल्ली-110001, तिथि
Rail Bhavan, New Delhi-110001, dated

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No. 97/Sec (Cr)/45/52

New Delhi, dated 21.5.97

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STANDING ORDER NO. 22
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Sub: Unlocalised cases of Booked Consignments.
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It is observed that a very large number of cases of Booked Consignments are floating around without being registered by the concerned Zone/Division. It appears that the procedure prescribed under Rule 226 & 227 of the RPF Rules, 1987 regarding transfer of cases and their reconciliation is not being meticulously followed. The issue was also discussed in detail during the Conference of the Chief Security Commissioners/RPF with DG/RPF held at Railway Board on 23.4.97 and it was decided that the cases of shortages of booked consignments should be registered and enquired into promptly, the place of occurrence be fixed without delay so that the culprits could be brought to book.


With a view to achieving these objectives, the following instructions should be strictly adhered to in this regard :-

1. The cases of unlocalised shortages should continue to be registered at the destination/ unloading stations as per the existing rule.
2. "Back-tracing" enquiry into such unlocalised cases should be taken up promptly and completed within the target time of one month localising the crime by identifying the place of occurrence.
3. After the place of occurrence is localised, the case should be transferred to the concerned Division.
4. The Zonal Railway to which the case is transferred should accept the case within seven days and send the cross registration particular to the transferring Railway which will expunge the case from their records on receipt of the cross registration reference from the accepting Railway.
5. It would be the responsibility of the accepting Railway to conduct thorough enquiry after registration, effect arrest of the criminals involved and secure recovery of the stolen material besides fixing the responsibility of the staff, if there is negligence.

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- 6. As per the RPF Rules, the Post/Out post where any defect (seal defect, panel cut, body cut, door defect, open door etc.) is noticed, must record the fact in its Daily Diary and also make entry in the 'Defective Wagon Checking Register'. The post/ out post which detects such defects should also take up track search upto the last stoppage of the wagon/train prior to reaching the station. They should also obtain the seal checking particulars from the last station as well as the shortage report from the destination.
- 7. It has been noticed that in a majority of cases of defective seal noticed by the Posts, no action has been taken because details of shortages from the destination station have not been obtained. Such inaction on the part of Post noticing the defective seal helps the criminal. It will be the responsibility of the Post which detects the defective wagon/seal to obtain the details of shortages from the destination station within a month, register the case where necessary and take up the investigation promptly.
- 8. Quarterly meetings should be held at the Divisional, Zonal and Railway Board levels to reconcile the transferred cases with a view to ensuring that no case is left floating/unregistered.

Please acknowledge the receipt of this Standing Order.


 (A.P. DURAI) 21.5.97
 DIRECTOR GENERAL/RPF

The Chief Security Commissioners/RPF,
All Indian Railways.

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