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

No. 2017/TG-IV/2/RB/05/Halts Policy

New Delhi, dated 18.06.2025

The General Managers, All Zonal Railways.

Sub: Corrigendum to 'Policy Guidelines - Halt Stations'.

Ref: Halt Stations – Master Circular dated 18.11.2019.

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The guidelines have been reviewed. After careful consideration, the Competent Authority have now approved Para 9.0 of Master Circular/Halts/2019/0 dated 18.11.2019, the following modifications in the Policy.

II.(a) Existing Guidelines: Para 9.0 Closure of Halt Station "For closing an existing halt station, the State Governments need not be consulted unless the opening of such a halt was in consultation with them or at their instance. If the halt station is unremunerative and also not justified on passengeamenity grounds, it could be closed by the Railway Administration itself. Zona! Railways should consider the closure of halt stations where average number of passengers is less than 25 per day (outward) on branch lines and less than 50 per day (outward) on main lines. There is no need to obtain the views of the ZRUCC/DRUCC before closure of such stations."

## (b) Para 9.0 Closure of Halt Station replaced as under:-

Para 9.0 <u>Closure of Halt Station</u>: "No Zonal Railway shall close any halt station without obtaining prior approval from the Railway Board. Any proposal for closure must be submitted to the Railway Board with comprehensive details, including passenger traffic data, financial implications, and an assessment of the socio-economic impact on the affected region."

III. This issues with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of Ministry of Railways.

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