



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



COMMERCIAL CIRCULAR NO. 14 OF 2025

No.TC II/2910/2025/Discount-Festival

New Delhi, dated 08.08.2025

The Principal Chief Commercial Managers,
All Zonal Railways.

Sub: Spreading out crowd during festive season by discounted fare on journey booked under **“Round trip package for festival rush”**.

In order to avoid rush, ensure hassle free booking as well as facilitate passengers and redistribute the peak traffic for larger range during peak festival seasons and ensure both side utilization of trains including special trains it has been decided to formulate an experimental scheme named as round trip package for festivals rush on discounted fare. This scheme will be applicable for those passengers who chooses their return journey during the prescribed period as detailed below:

(i). Under this scheme, rebates shall be applicable when booked for both onward and return journey for the same set of passengers. Passenger details of return journey will be same as of onward journey.

(ii). Booking start date shall be 14.08.2025 for the ARP date 13th October 2025. Onward ticket shall be booked first for the train start date between 13th October 2025 and 26th October 2025 and subsequently return journey ticket shall be booked by using connecting journey feature for the train start date between 17th November and 1st December 2025. Advance reservation period will not be applicable for booking of return journey.

(iii). The above booking shall be permissible only for confirmed tickets in both directions.

(iv). Total rebates of 20% shall be granted on base fare of return journey only.

(v) Booking under this scheme shall be for the same class and same O-D pair for both onward and return journey.

(vi). No refund of fare shall be permissible for the tickets booked under this scheme.

(vii). The above scheme shall be allowed for all classes and in all trains including special trains (Trains on demand) except trains having Flexi fare.

(viii). No modification will be allowed on these ticket in either of the journey.

(ix). No discount, Rail travel coupons, Voucher based booking, Passes or PTOs etc. shall be admissible during return journey booking on concessional fare.

(x). Both onward and return journey tickets must be booked using the same mode-either:

- Internet (online) booking, or
- Counter booking at reservation offices

(xi) No additional fare collection will be performed if any arises during charting for these PNRs.

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

3. Ensure necessary action and confirm.

4. Wide publicity should be given through press, media and also through notifications and announcements at stations etc.

Digitally signed by
Praveen Kumar
Date: 08-08-2025
(Praveen Kumar)
Director Passenger Marketing & Coordination
Railway Board

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Copy to:-

1. Dy. Comptroller and Auditor General (Railways), Room no. 224, Rail Bhavan, New Delhi.
2. The Principal Financial Advisors, All Zonal Railways.
3. Director General of Audit, All Zonal Railways.

Digitally signed by
Prashant Arora
Date: 08-08-2025
For Member Secretary Railway Board
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Copy forwarded for information & necessary action to:

1. CRB & CEO, M(O&BD), Member Finance Railway Board for information.
2. EDPG/MR, OSD/MR, JDPG/MOSR(S), Office of MOSR(R) for information
3. PED/Vig, PED/A, EDTC(R), EDFC Railway Board for information.
4. EDIP, Railway Board for wide publicity through different media.
5. Managing Director, Centre for Railway Information System (CRIS), Chanakyapuri, near National Rail Museum, New Delhi for necessary software changes.
6. Managing Director, IRCTC, 11th floor, Statesman House, B-148, Barakhambha Road, New Delhi-110001.
7. Managing Director, Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd., Belapur Bhavan, Plot No. 6, sector-11, CBD Belapur, Navi Mumbai-400014
8. General Secretary, IRCA, Chelmsford Road, New Delhi for issue of necessary correction slips to coaching Tariff.

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Praveen Kumar

Date: 08-08-2025

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Director Passenger Marketing (Coordination)
Railway Board
