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

No. 2019/TC(FM)/4/18-Part(l) (eOffice -3318467)

New Delhi Dt: 21 .10.2024

The General Managers, All Indian Railways MD/CRIS, Chanakyapuri

New Delhi

Sub: Process flow to automate the payment of accumulated freight rebate (on 3rd Party/Railway utilization of GPWIS Rake) in investor's account.

Ref: Board's Letter No. 2019/TC(FM)/04/18-Part(I) dated: (i) 18.12.2020 (FMC 28 of 2020) & (ii) 07.09.2022 (FMC 16 of 2022)

Vide Board's letters under reference, wherein procedure for grant of rebate to GPWIS investor in case of third party's consignment has been detailed. As per extant procedure, after the end of each quarter, the GPWIS investor raises a bill for freight rebate to be reimbursed on account of RRs prepared for loading by third party/Railway during the quarter and submits to the concerned Railway for processing of payment. The current process is completely manual and time consuming, which leads to delays and investor's dissatisfaction.

2. The matter has been examined in Board. In order to expedite the reimbursement of freight rebate in case of third party loading under GPWIS, para-1 of the JPO issued vide FM Circular 28/2020 dt 18.12.2020 is revised as under:-

Existing para-1 of JPO dt 18.12.2020

1. At the time of preparation of Railway Receipt (RR), system will calculate the freight rebate to be granted (duly taking into account the Annual and/or Overall Cap on freight rebate). If the payment is being made by the owner of the rake (party), the rebate shall be granted upfront on the RR. Otherwise, the freight rebate will accrue to a Deposit Miscellaneous Account of the party.

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The provisional payment shall be made by booking the amount under Miscellaneous Advance-GPWIS which shall be cleared at the time of passing final bill or as per the procedure issued by railway board from time to time.

3. Accordingly, CRIS may adopt the process flow (as annexed herewith) in the GPWIS module to automate the payment of accumulated freight rebate (on 3rd Party/Railway utilization of GPWIS Rake) in investor's account.



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- 73107848/2024 The review of the provision shall be done after a period of one year from the date of its implementation in FOIS. Zonal Railways are directed to submit a report at the end of each quarter in order to monitor the implementation.
 - 5. This issues with the concurrence of Finance and Accounts Directorates of Ministry of Railways.

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Process flow of the rebate re-imbursement in case of Third party loading in GPWIS rakes.

Phase 1: Provisional payment of 75% of the due rebate

- i. FOIS Application shall generate comprehensive reports of RRs generated under GPWIS scheme for each rake.
- 10% of Base Freight of such RRs shall be accounted for calculating the due rebate amount. ii.
- The same information and reports shall be shared with Zonal user on FOIS and with GPWIS iii. rake owner on FBD/e-customer portal on daily basis. The same shall be available for view
- iv. One time bank account details, cancelled cheque etc shall be captured from the investor through the Zonal Railways in the FOIS application (as a part of GPWIS contract/ agreement details). The same shall be maintained in FOIS/Database.
- The detailed RR-wise report for each day shall be sent automatically to IREPS every 8th day V. for provisional payment of 75% or as per the % decided by Railway Board. The provisional advance payment made shall be booked under miscellaneous Advance - GPWIS for which new allocation shall be created under IPAS by CRIS.
- The authorized users of commercial department of the concerned Zonal Railway will be vi. provided with an interface on IREPS system to initiate/approve proposal for provisional payments, and for preparation of digital pay order.
- The digitally signed pay order along with related data will be made available by IREPS to vii. IPAS for enabling processing of the same by IPAS user for payment.
- viii. IPAS will acknowledge the payment information to IREPS. Further, IREPS will acknowledge the same to FOIS.
- FOIS shall record the status of payment against each RR which shall be considered for final ix. reconciliation at the end of quarter for reconciliation.

Phase 2: Quarterly re-conciliation

- At the end of each quarter; FOIS Application shall generate comprehensive quarterly report for Zonal user on FOIS, and with GPWIS rake owner on FBD/e-customer portal. The report shall contain RR-wise details of provisional payments made against each rake, remaining payment after adjusting the due taxes.
- ii. At the end of each quarter, the investor shall submit a statement of its claims quarter by 9th day of the next quarter. The Zonal users shall reconcile the details of invoice submitted and the information available in FOIS application in consultation with associate finance. The reconciliation to be completed in 15 days.
- Thereafter, investors shall submit and upload GST e-Invoice (bill) in FBD/e-customer portal iii. for the total claimed and reconciled amount. GST and TDS shall be calculated as per the GPWIS JPO (referred above)
- The details shall be submitted to IREPS. The authorized users of commercial department of iv. the concerned Zonal Railway will initiate/approve proposal for payments.
- The digitally signed pay order along with related data and e-Invoice (bill) will be sent from ٧. IREPS to IPAS for enabling processing of the same by IPAS user for making payment latest by 30th day. The suspense head Misc. Advance-GPWIS shall be cleared at the time of passing of final bill by adjustment against deposit misc. against the tax invoice submitted by the party.
- Acknowledgement of the payments shall be automatically updated in IREPS and FOIS. This vi. will confirm the settlement for a quarter.
- Zonal user and investors are updated about the payments on their respective reports. vii.