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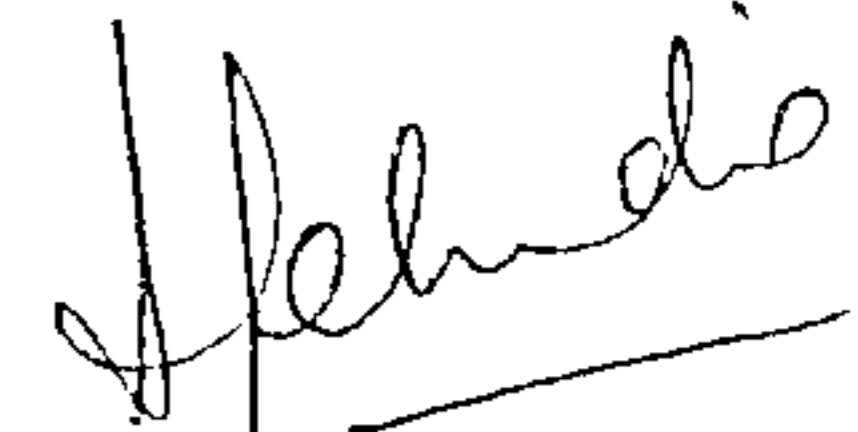
Chief Commercial Manager,
Western Railway,
Mumbai.

Sub: Punitive charge for overloading.

Please refer to Western Railway's letter No.C353/2 Vol.XI dt.11.2012 on the above mentioned subject, wherein it is stated that though the party was ready to carry out load adjustment at forwarding station, it was not allowed to do so on account of operational constraints.

Extant instructions regarding levy of punitive charge clearly stipulate that in case of detection of overloading at the originating point, no punitive charge is leviable if the customer carries out load adjustment at the originating station itself.

In this light, the action taken by the Zonal Railway to restrict rail users from carrying out load adjustment at the originating station itself appears prima facie inappropriate.



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