Chief Commercial Manager,
Eastern Railway,
Kolkata.

Sub: Classification of Railway premises under Wharfage rules.
Ref:- (i) ER’s letters No.C.144/0/Vol.XI/X/BG/Notification/2/GP/WC dt. 03.12.2014 & dt.11.06.15

Please refer to ER’s letters under reference seeking Board’s approval for downgrading the classification of three goods sheds (namely BGB, BPC and TGH) based on the traffic pattern of January - April, 2014.

As per extant guidelines, Zonal Railways are empowered to review the classification of a goods shed every year in the month of May on the basis of ‘average number of rakes dealt with per month during January to April’ or ‘average number of rakes dealt with per month during May (of previous year) to April’, whichever is higher and to notify the same for the period July to June. In case downgrading the classification of a goods shed is required due to mid-term review, the proposal has to be referred to Board. ER’s reference does not conform to the Board’s guidelines.

Moreover, ER has proposed downgrading of three goods sheds on the basis of ‘number of rakes dealt during January to April, 2014’ but the ‘average number of rakes dealt during May, 2013 to April, 2014’ has not been considered, as laid down in the Board’s guidelines.

Therefore, it is advised that ER may review the classification of the goods sheds duly keeping in view the Board’s guidelines.

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