

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

No.TC-I/2019/201/6-Part(2)(3328629)

New Delhi, dt.12.04.2024

Pr. Chief Commercial Manager
ECR

Sub: Free time for loading/unloading of rakes of Coal and Iron Ore-Power to Zone

Ref: (i) Corrigendum No.2 & No.50 of Rates Master Circular/Demurrage-Wharfage-Waiver/2016/0

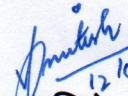
(ii) Board's letter No.TC-I/2019/201/6-Part(2)(3328629) dt.22.01.2024

Please refer to ECR's letter No.ECR/CRM/FMS/MISC/04 dt.11.03.2024 wherein Railway has mentioned that keeping in view extant guidelines, Railway has reduced free time of loading in case of coal sidings from 5 hours to 3 hours and wants to enhance the same. Further, Railway has also suggested to extend the time period of payment of Demurrage from 10th day to 20th day of next month in case of sidings.

The matter has been examined and following is advised -

- (i) Vide Board's letter No.TC-I/2019/201/6-Part(2)(3328629) dt.22.01.2024(copy enclosed), it has been advised that power vested with zonal railways vide Board's circulars under reference(i) for reduction of free time implies that the power is also vested to the concerned authority for its review as deemed fit.
- (ii) Further, present time period of payment of Demurrage by 10th day of next month in case of sidings is considered adequate and no change is envisaged at present.

DA: as above


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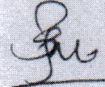
Sub: Free time for loading of rakes of Coal and iron ore.

Ref: (i) ECR's letter No.ECR/CRM/FMS/Misc/04 dt.11.12.2023

(ii) Corrigendum No.02 dt.07.11.2017 & Corrigendum No.40 dt.27.03.2023 to
Rates Master Circular/Demurrage-Wharfage-Waiver/2016/0

Please refer to ECR's letter No.ECR/CRM/FMS/Misc/04 dt.11.12.2023 vide which Railway has referred to Board's circular under reference (ii) delegating power to zonal railway for reducing free time for loading from 5 hours to 3 hours at goods sheds/sidings **where two or more rakes of coal and/or iron ore rake are loaded from a single line**. Railway has sought clarification whether zonal railway can restore normal free time at goods shed/siding **where loading from single line is less than two rakes per day**.

The matter has been examined in consultation with Traffic Transportation and Finance Directorates of Railway Board. It is to state that the power vested with zonal railways vide Board's circular under reference (ii) for reduction of free time implies that the power is also vested to the concerned authority for its review as deemed fit. Zonal Railway may take action accordingly.



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