

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(RAILWAY BOARD)

No. 2007/TG-V/26/1

New Delhi, dated 08.07.

The Chief Commercial Managers,
All Zonal Railways.

COMMERCIAL CIRCULAR NO. 75/2007

Sub: Realization of excess charge/penalty from passengers found traveling in higher class with lower class tickets.

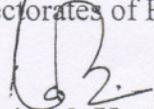
It has come to Board's notice that provisions contained in Section 137 and 138 of Railway Act, 1989 are not being properly followed by the zonal railways in respect of charging passengers traveling in higher class with lower class tickets. Minimum distance chargeable in distance restricted trains is also found to be ignored.

The matter has been examined in Board's Office and it is reiterated that the following provisions as stipulated in Railway Act 1989 and Para 229 of Commercial Manual may strictly be followed while charging a passenger found traveling with lower class ticket in upper class.

- a) Difference of fare between the two classes upto the point of detection or the minimum chargeable distance whichever is higher along with penalty. Penalty to be levied will be equal to the charge payable, subject to a minimum of Rs. 250/-.
- b) In distance restricted trains, the difference of fare paid and the minimum fare payable for the first station after the restricted distance where the train has a commercial halt plus the usual penalty as per rules should be levied irrespective of the point of detection.

This disposes of North Eastern Railway's letter no. TM/Cg/TTE/J.P.O./89/876 dated 21.12.2006.

This has the concurrence of the Finance and Accounts Directorates of Railway Board.


(Ravinesh Kumar)
Director, Traffic Commercial (G)
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