

Office of the Principal Chief Commercial Manager South Central Railway, Ministry of Railways, Government of India Rail Nilayam, Secunderabad -500025 (Telangana)

No.C.568/G.II/Amenities/Squads/Stations

Date: 21-03-2023

Sr.DCM/SC,HYB,BZA,GTL,GNT&NED

Sub: Withdrawal of unified fare structure for AC-3 tier and restoration of AC-3 tier economy fare.

Ref: Railway Board Commercial Circular No.6 of 2023 dated 21.03.2023

Vide Railway Board Commercial Circular No.6 of 2023 dated 21.03.2023, it is communicated that instructions issued vide Commercial Circular No.22 of 2022 dated 11.11.2022 is withdrawn from 22.03.2023. All future bookings in AC economy coaches beyond the No Booking Date/ARP shall be done as '3E' instead of '3A'. Coach ID shall be changed to 'M' instead of 'B'. The Difference of fare between AC 3-tier and AC 3-tier economy shall be automatically given by IRCTC in case of i/e tickets. For counter ticket passengers, difference of fare shall be given as per existing refund rule for refund of difference of fare in case of lower class of travelling.

In this regard, it is instructed that Ticket Checking Staff manning 3A/3E coaches to carry Lower class certificates for the purpose of issuing to counter ticket holders. Staff should also guide the passengers that refund will be granted at destination within two days of issue of certificate (excluding date of issue of certificate).

(K. Hari Kishore) ACM/Resv for Principal Chief Commercial Manager



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

Commercial Circular No. 6 of 2023

No.TC II/2910/2021/AC 3 tier economy (3359777)

New Delhi, Dt 21 .03.2023

The General Managers, All Indian Railways

- Sub: Withdrawal of unified fare structure for AC-3tier and restoration of AC-3tier economy fare.
- Ref: 1. Commercial Circular no. 10 of 2021 dated 19.08.2021.
 - 2. Board's instruction no. 2020/M(C)/137/2Pt2 dated 08.09.2022.
 - 3. Commercial Circular no. 22 of 2022 dated 11.11.2022.

In continuation of above, Ministry of Railways have decided to withdraw instruction issued vide Commercial Circular no. 22 of 2022 dated 11.11.2022 (regarding unified AC 3-tier service) with detailed conditions as mentioned in para 2 below and accordingly restore Commercial Circular no. 10 of 2021 dated 19.08.2021. However, joint instruction as regards provision of linen in 3AC economy coaches (LWACCNE) dated 08.09.2022 shall continue.

(2). For restoration of all provisions of AC 3-tier economy w.e.f 22.03.2023 following is instructed:

(a). From 22.03.2023, all future bookings in AC economy coaches beyond the No Booking Date/ARP shall be done as '3E' instead of '3A'. Coach ID shall be changed to 'M instead of B'.

(b). For bookings already made in AC 3-tier economy coaches as '3A' at the time of charting CRIS shall readjust charting and allot berths in 3E coaches with coach ID 'M'. CRIS may ensure compaction of already allotted passengers to the extent possible.

(c). Difference of fare between AC 3-tier and AC 3-tier economy shall be automatically given by IRCTC in case of i/e-tickets. For counter ticket passengers, difference of fare shall be given as per existing refund rule for refund of difference of fare in case of lower class of travelling.

(d). SMS shall be sent to all such passengers.

(3). The above changes shall be made effective from 22.03.2023.

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(4). CRIS is requested to make necessary changes in the software.

(5). The receipt of this letter may be acknowledged. Also please check these instructions on the Indian Railways website - www.indianrailways.gov.in under the head commercial circulars.

This issues with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of Ministry of Railways.

(Vipul Singhal) Director Passenger Marketing Railway Board

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- 1. Dy. Comptroller and Auditor General of India (Railways), Room no. 224, Rail Bhavan, New Delhi.
- 2. PFAs, All Indian Railways.
- 3. Director General of Audit, all Indian Railways.

For Member Finance, Railway Board

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Copy forwarded for information & necessary action to:

- 1. Principal Chief Commercial Managers/All Zonal Railways
- 2. Principal Chief Operation Managers/All Zonal Railways
- 3. Principal Chief Mechanical Engineers/All Zonal Railways
- 4. CEO & CRB, M (O&BD) & Member Finance Railway Board for information.
- 5. PS/MR, PS/MOSR(J), PS/MOSR(D) for information.
- 6. ADV/MR, OSD/MR, OSD/Co-ordination/MR & Addl. PS/MR for information
- 7. AM/ME, EDME(EnhM & Project) for information & necessary action.
- 8. PED/IR, PED(Vig), PED(A), PED/Chg, EDIP Railway Board for information.
- 9. MD, Centre for Railway Information System (CRIS), Chanakyapuri, near National Rail Museum, New Delhi for necessary Software changes.
- 10. MD, IRCTC, 11th Floor, Statesman House, B-148, Barakhamba Road, New Delhi.
- 11. Managing Director, Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd., Belapur Bhavan, Plot No. 6, Sector 11, CBD Belapur, Navi Mumbai- 400 001.
- 12. PCCM/Northern Railway/New Delhi for arrangement of issue of correction slips to Coaching Tariff.

(Vipul Singhal) Director Passenger Marketing Railway Board

List of trains having LWACCNE(3E) coaches						
SI.No.	Train No.	From	То	wef	Coach No	Berth Capacity
1	12733	TPTY	LPI	22-03-2023	B1 to B4	72
					B5-to B7	80
2	12734	LPI	TPTY	22-03-2023	B1 to B4	72
					B5-to B7	80
3	12771	SC	R	22-03-2023	B1 to B4	72
					B5-to B6	80
4	17487	ΗХ	VSKP	04-03-2023	B1 to B6	72
					B7	80
				15-06-2023	B1 to B7	72
					B8	80
5	18046	HYB	SHM	22-03-2023	B1 to B5	72
					B6-to B7	80
6	22850	SC	SHM	24-03-2023	B1 to B5	72
					B6-to B8	80
7	17206	COA	SNSI	15-03-2023	B1 to B7	72
					B8 to B10	80
7	12755	COA	BVC	16-03-2023	B1 to B7	72
					B8 to B10	80

Note:Train formation may be followed accordingly