



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

Commercial Circular No. 22 of 2022

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

New Delhi, Dt11.11.2022

The General Managers, All Indian Railways

Sub: Unified AC 3-tier service.

Ref: Commercial Circular no. 10 of 2021 dated 19.08.2021.

In view of passenger feedback being received from various quarters for provision of linen in AC-3 tier economy coaches, in supersession of the above mentioned Commercial Circular, Ministry of Railways have decided to unify all types of AC-3 tier coaches and provide linen in all of them as per standard compliment from 20.09.2022. Accordingly, in all AC-3 tier economy coaches, it has been decided to block 3 berths to provide storage space for linen and change the nomenclature of these coaches as under:

- (1). Bedrolls shall be provided in such coaches also as per applicability in 3 AC coaches of Mail/Express trains.
- (2). Zonal Railways shall utilize the berth numbers 81, 82 & 83 in existing 3 AC economy coaches for storage space for linen. The passengers who have already been allotted berths (81, 82 & 83) in 3 AC economy coaches for reservation date 20.9.2022 & thereafter, shall be adjusted in the train by releasing Emergency Quota. Zonal Railways shall inform these passengers through SMS alerts regarding the change in berth number/ coach number (if any).
- (3). To block booking of berth numbers 81, 82 & 83 in AC economy coaches in trains beyond Advance Booking Period (ARP) or No Booking Date whichever is earlier.
- (4). In order to unify all types of AC-3 tier coaches and provide linen as per standard compliment, the coach nomenclature "B", booking ID "3A", and minimum basic fare shall be same for all types of AC-3 tier coaches as per categorization of service.

The above changes shall be applicable from Advance Reservation Period.

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- (5). The separate nomenclature of both coaches shall be retained in ICMS (Integrated Coaching Management System). Each rake composition at every primary depot shall distinctly have the number of different types of AC-3 tier coaches i.e normal coaches and high capacity coaches.
- (6). The marshalling order in which these are to be arranged in a particular rake shall be predefined e.g. in case of 4 AC-3 tier coaches whether B1 & B2 are high capacity or B3 & B4 are high capacity. The same shall also be fed in ICMS. The feeding in PRS at the time of profiling of the trains shall be done accordingly and the physical marshalling of the train at each primary & secondary depot shall adhere to the same.
- (7). All other terms and conditions shall be same as that of the categorization of train service in which the same shall be attached.
- (8). CRIS is requested to make necessary changes in the software.
- (9). 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. DAI (Railways), New Delhi.

2. PFAs, All Indian Railways.

3. Principal Directors 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

Principal Chief Operation Managers/All Zonal Railways
Principal Chief Mechanical Engineers/All Zonal Railways

4. CEO & CRB, M (O&BD) & Member Finance Railway Board for information.

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- 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.

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