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Sub: Rationalization of rates for parcel traffic – methodology for reckoning the percentage utilization of SLR to determine categorisation of each train for the purpose of charging freight for parcel & luggage traffic.

Ref: Railway Board's Freight Marketing Circular No.24 of 2013 dated 21.10.2013.

(i) Every year review to re-assess and re-classify the categories of different trains for charging of parcel scales is being done and will take effect from 1st June of that year. This year the revision will take effect on 01.06.2022.


In terms of Board's letter under reference "If the utilization of the SLR of a train crosses the revised benchmark i.e. 50% utilization of SLR, then the train should be upgraded to the higher scale for the purpose of charging of parcel and luggage"

(ii) Further, Railway Board, vide FM Circular No.21 of 2018 dated 14.09.2018, delegated powers to PCCM to downgrade the parcel scale to next lower level at a time, with the concurrence of their Associate Finance, if utilization of brake-van drops below the benchmark of 50% for the purpose of charging of Parcel and Luggage.

(iii) While determining the percentage utilization of train, the originating divisional railway shall consider the overall utilization of brake-van (SLR) at the originating station as well as the other stations on the run of the train falling within the jurisdiction of the same originating Zonal Railway, subject to all such stations falling within a maximum of one third (1/3) distance of the total route kilometre of the entire journey of the train. Once the overall utilization crosses the benchmark of 50 % utilization of the brakevan (SLR) of a train, this exercise need not be continued.

In view of the above, it is advised to submit the following information by 25th April 2022:-

- a. The utilization percentage of Brake vans (SLRs) for a period of 12 months i.e. from 01.04.2021 to 31.03.2022.
- b. Divisions, in terms of FM Circular No.21 of 2018 shall identify trains for downgrading the parcel scale to next lower scale at a time if utilization of brake-van drops below 50%.
- c. Divisions should analyze increase in the loading and earnings due to the reduced rates issued vide Commercial Circular No.98 of 2018 and suggest continuation of the same or otherwise.


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