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COMMERCIAL CIRCULAR No. 63 of 2019

NO. TCII/2704/2009/Policy

New Delhi dated 10.12.2019

The Principal chief commercial Managers  
All Zonal Railways.

Sub: Revalidation of Photo identity cards of Accredited Press Correspondents.  
Ref: Commercial Circular No.32 of 2018 dt.18.06.2018

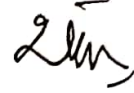
Attention is invited to Commercial Circular No.32 of 2018 regarding the validity of photo identity card(Railway Unique ID Card) issued by Railways to Accredited Press Correspondents accredited by Press Information Bureau (PIB)/other competent State & District authorities.

2. Representations have been received from press associations and correspondents stating that the renewal of Press accreditation Cards issued by PIB /other competent State & District authorities generally takes 1 to 2 months after expiry of existing card. In the renewal processing period the correspondents are not able to either book tickets or undertake journey. Accordingly in partial modification to the circular under reference it has been decided by competent authority that

- a) For booking tickets beyond validity of Press accreditation Card: As a special case, press correspondents accredited by PIB/ or other competent State & District authorities may be allowed to book reserved ticket for Advance Reservation Period (ARP) period of 120 days beyond the validity of their current accreditation card. However, the press correspondents should be in possession of a valid accreditation card issued by PIB card/ other competent State & District authorities or proof of applying for renewal/acknowledgement issued by competent authority i.e. PIB or other competent State & District authorities for first two months on the day/date of performing journey. For example if the press correspondent's card expires on 31st December, he/she can book ticket for advance reservation period of 120 days beyond the expiry date i.e upto the month of April.
- b) For performing journey beyond expiry of validity period of Press accreditation card: Due to delay in renewal of press correspondents' ID card by PIB/ or other competent State & District authorities, two months extension beyond validity of press correspondents' ID cards may be given to the Railway Unique ID card only for the purpose of performing journey only. For example if the press correspondent's card expires on 31st December the Railway Unique ID card will be valid for two more months i.e. upto next February for travel purpose only. However, the press correspondents has to carry proof of applying for renewal/acknowledgement issued by competent authority i.e. PIB or other competent State & District authorities.

3. Necessary instructions may be issued to all concerned immediately including PRS/UTS for compliance.

4. Zonal Railways may advise the concerned accreditation certificate issuing agencies within their jurisdiction regarding the revised revalidation procedure.



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1. CRB, MT, FC, Secretary, Railway Board.
2. PED (Vig), Railway Board.
3. MD, Centre for Railway Information System (CRIS), Chanakyapuri, Near National Rail Museum, New Delhi.
4. MD, IRCTC, 9th Floor, Bank of Baroda Building, 16, Sansad Marg, N.Delhi.
5. Managing Director, Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd., Belapur Bhavan, Plot No. 6, Sector 11, CBD Belapur, Navi Mumbai – 400 014.
6. General Secretary, IRCA, Chelmsford Road, New Delhi for issue of necessary correction slips to Coaching Tariff.



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