

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

No. TCR/1618/2016/02 STS

New Delhi, Dated, 23.08.2019

**Principal Chief Commercial Manager,
All Indian Railways.**

Sub: Guidelines for Station to Station (STS) Rates. (Rates Circular No. 26 of 2016).

Ref: PCOM/South Central Railway's D.O. NO.T.68/Stn-to-Stn/Policy dated 09.05.2019.

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Railway Board vide Rates Circular No.26 of 2016 dated 20.09.2016 had issued guidelines for implementation of Station to Station rates. The Circular provides for having STS agreements based on Monthly, Quarterly, Half Yearly and Yearly Benchmarks NTKMs. One of the Zonal Railways had raised a query whether it is essential that yearly benchmark NTKMs have to be crossed for granting STS concession even in cases where the STS agreements have been signed on the basis of Monthly, Quarterly, and Half Yearly Benchmarks NTKMs.

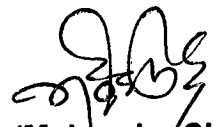
The matter has been examined. It is clarified that yearly Benchmark NTKMs shall have to be crossed for granting STS concession.

Therefore, all future STS agreements shall be signed on the basis of Yearly Benchmark NTKMs only.

The provision of Monthly, Quarterly, and Half Yearly Benchmarks NTKMs provided in the Circular stands withdrawn with immediate effect. As far as existing agreements are concerned, Zonal Railways may review them and take necessary action as deemed fit.

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

This also disposes off South Central Railways above referred letter.



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