

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA / BHARAT SARKAR
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS / RAIL MANTRALAYA
(RAILWAY BOARD)**

No.2005/TG.III/600/41

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The General Managers / All Indian Railways

Commercial Circular No. 50 of 2005

Sub: Allotment of catering units for clearance of reservation backlog.

It has been observed that catering facilities at many stations in all categories is not adequate. This is more so at D, E & F category stations. It has been decided that pro-active steps should be taken to add new catering facilities at such stations in order to ensure optimum catering services to the travelling public.

While allotting, provisions of revised Catering Policy issued vide Commercial Circular No.56 of 2005 (2005/TG.III/600/5 dated 21.12.2005) should be scrupulously followed.

1. MINOR UNITS AT A, B & C CATEGORY OF STATIONS

- 1.1 A review may be done of availability of minor units at A, B & C category of stations.
- 1.2 For the purpose of review, entire division should be taken as one unit.
- 1.3 Additional static minor units may be planned at A, B & C category stations in order to fulfill the backlog of reservation quota of 25% for minor units as laid down in the Catering Policy. The ban in force should be lifted to fulfill the backlog of reservation quota, if considered necessary.
- 1.4 For selecting the stations, congestion etc. should be kept in mind.
- 1.5 For achieving the requisite percentage of quota, the total division should be taken as one unit.
- 1.6 The division can decide the distribution of individual sub-quotas like SC / ST etc. over various stations for minor units in A, B & C category keeping in view the congestion and other requirements like availability of existing units etc.
- 1.7 In the entire division, the percentage of reservation for the three types of catering units i.e. stalls; refreshment rooms and trolleys should be achieved individually also.

- 1.8 Division will allocate space at various stations and also make quota-wise distribution of various catering units based on shortfall.
- 1.9 Allotment for minor units at A, B & C category stations for reserved units will be done by the division.
- 1.10 Within 25% of reservation quota persons who have been dislocated / displaced due to their land having been taken over by Railways for its own use may be included in 4% reservation quota for freedom fighters / women including war widows and widows of railway employees.
- 1.11 Licence fee for above static units should be fixed as per benchmark set at concerned stations.

2. D, E & F CATEGORY OF STATIONS

- 2.1 There is a heavy shortfall in the reservation quota (49.5%) in D, E & F category stations apart from total units of different type being inadequate at D, E & F category stations.
- 2.2 A review may be done of availability of static units at D, E & F category stations. For the purpose of review, entire division should be taken as one unit. Additional stalls be planned.
- 2.3 Additional stalls, refreshment rooms and trolleys can be allotted on D, E & F category stations as per requirement and ban imposed vide letter No. 82/TG.III/609/31/K/CS dated 14.11.1986 and 26.02.1987 is lifted hereinafter for this purpose for both the reserved as well as general segment in D, E & F category of stations.
- 2.4 In addition, special drive should be launched to allot the units in such a manner that entire prescribed percentage for reservation quota of 49.5% is achieved by taking total division as one unit.
- 2.5 For selecting the stations, congestion etc. should be kept in mind.
- 2.6 For the entire division, sub-quotas of (SC / ST etc.) can be distributed over different stations in D, E & F category and the division is fully empowered to distribute the quota station-wise keeping in view the congestion and availability of existing units etc.
- 2.7 Reservation percentage should also be achieved for each type of catering unit i.e. in stalls, refreshment rooms and trolleys individually.
- 2.8 Within 49.5%, another 2% sub-quota be provided to the persons who have been dislocated / displaced due to their land having been taken over by Railways for its own use.
- 2.9 Licence fee for D, E & F categories of stations be charged as given in Commercial Circular No. 51, which is Annexure to this letter. (Annexure)

3. SHORTFALL / ALLOTMENT

- 3.1 The shortfall in the reservation quota division-wise be intimated to Railway Board within one month i.e. by 15.01.2006.**
- 3.2 Urgent action be initiated by Zonal Railways / IRCTC to complete the process of allotment by 30.06.2006.**
- 3.3 Monthly progress be given to Railway Board.**

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter.



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