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Commercial Circular No.316 (GC)/Parcel/2022

Date: 27.09.2022

Sub: Operations of the 'Joint Parcel Product (JPP)' by Indian Railways and India Post—reg. Proof of Concept.

Ref: Railway Board's letter No.2020/TC(FM)/11/19(Part-1) dated.26.09.2022

Enclosed please find herewith a copy of Railway Board's letter No.2020/TC(FM)/11/19(Part-1) dated.26.09.2022 regarding "**Operations of the 'Joint Parcel Product (JPP)' by Indian Railways and India Post—reg**" which is self explanatory for information and necessary action at your end.

All concerned to note and act accordingly.

Authority: Railway Board's letter No.2020/TC(FM)/11/19(Part-1) dated.26.09.2022

Encl: As above (04 pages)

(Anil Kumar S)
Dy.Chief Commercial Manager (FS)

No.CCM/451 /Postal Traffic /Pt.I/19

Dt. 27.09.2022

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(Anil Kumar S)
Dy.Chief Commercial Manager (FS)

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

No. 2020/TC(FM)/11/19 (Part-1)

New Delhi, Date: ²⁶09.2022

The General Managers,
All Zonal Railways.

Sub: Operations of the 'Joint Parcel Product (JPP)' by Indian Railways and India Post -- reg. Proof of Concept.

Ref: Board's letter no. 2020/TC(FM)/11/19, dated 29.03.2022.

A pilot project was launched vide Board's letter under reference, for 'Joint Parcel Product (JPP)' of Indian Railways and India Post, by attaching a Parcel Van in train no. 19045/19046 (Tapti Ganga Exp.) between Surat and Varanasi. Under the 'JPP', wherein India Post is to provide 'first & last mile' services, and Indian Railways is to provide the 'middle mile' services.

Requests are being received from the India Post as well as from some Zonal Railways for extension of the 'Proof of Concept (PoC)' over other routes of Indian Railways. Hence, in order to expedite the approval process for such expansion, it has been decided that:

1. The proof of concept may be expanded -- by earmarking space only in the SLR of any scheduled passenger-carrying train -- by the Division where the train originates, in consultation with India Post and with the approval of the DRM.
2. It must be ensured that the right-time start and punctuality of the train is not adversely affected on this account.
3. Booking of consignments shall be done consignment-wise in Parcel Management System (PMS), by the staff of Department of Posts. For this purpose, Department of Posts may be defined as a City Booking Agency (CBA) in the PMS, at the concerned originating and destination station.
4. Charging for first-mile and/or last-mile services, to be provided by India Post, shall be decided by India Post.
5. Railway shall charge the 'JPP' services at a premium of 10% over the scale applicable for that particular train, during the Proof of Concept. (Charging for trains running at 'R'-scale shall be at R+10%, for trains running at 'P'-scale shall be at P+10%, and so on.)
6. Other relevant conditions, as mentioned in Railway Board's letter No. 2020/TC(FM)/11/19, dated 29.03.2022 (copy enclosed), shall remain applicable.

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These instructions shall remain valid for **six months** from the issue of this letter.

Action may be taken accordingly please under intimation to this office.

This issues in consultation with the Coaching and Finance directorates of Ministry of Railways.

DA: As above.


(Ashutosh Mishra)
Jt. Director Freight Marketing
Railway Board

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

2020/TC(FM)/11/19

New Delhi, dated 29.3.2022

The General Managers,

1. Western Railway, Churchgate, Mumbai.
2. Northern Railway, Baroda House, New Delhi.
3. North Central Railway, Prayagraj.
4. North Eastern Railway, Gorakhpur.

The Deputy Director General (Mail Operations),

Deptt of Posts,
Dak Bhawan, New Delhi.

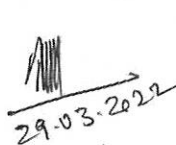
Sub: 'Proof of Concept' operations of the JOINT PARCEL PRODUCT by Indian Railways and India Post.

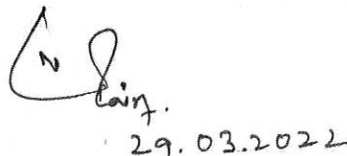
Ref: Discussions between the officials of Indian Railways and Deptt of Posts on 23.03.2022 and 29.03.2022.

On the basis of the discussions held between the officials of Indian Railways and Deptt of Posts, the following guidelines are hereby being issued for the activities to be conducted by Railways, regarding the 'Proof of Concept' operations of the JOINT PARCEL PRODUCT.

1. As informed by DRM/ Mumbai Div/Western Railway, the Proof of Concept for Joint Parcel Product (JPP) may be done by attaching a Parcel Van in 19045/46 (Tapti Ganga Express) between Surat (ST) and Varanasi Jn (BSB). To begin with, this Parcel Van may be run as a weekly service in both directions.
2. Booking of consignments shall be done consignment-wise in Parcel Management System (PMS), by the staff of Deptt of Posts. For this purpose, Deptt of Posts may be defined as a City Booking Agency (CBA) in the PMS, at Surat and Varanasi, as well as at Prayagraj Chheoki (PCOI), Ballia (BUI) and Chhapra (CPR) -- which are the other major stoppages of 19045/46.
3. The booked consignments shall be put inside the boxes (specially designed boxes, arranged by Mumbai Div/ WR) -- which shall be locked and sealed in the presence of Railway staff. Similarly, the boxes shall be opened at the destination station in the presence of Railway staff and delivery shall be done in PMS.

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4. For operating the PMS terminals for booking and delivery of consignments, Deptt of Posts shall arrange hardware and internet connectivity at their aggregation centres. Thereafter CRIS shall provide PMS at these terminals through VPN. By the time PMS is not available at the aggregation centre(s), Deptt of Posts may use a PMS terminal at the Parcel Office of the concerned station.
5. It is understood that PMS is not yet functional at Varanasi Jn (as well as at Prayagraj Chheoki, Ballia and Chhapra stations). By the time PMS becomes functional at the concerned station, the delivery and booking of consignments under JPP may be done manually.
6. India Posts shall make payment of the Railways' share of the freight at the booking station, on the day of departure of train. The payment may be made either in cash or through Demand Draft, or Cheque, or electronic mode.
7. Railway shall charge the JPP services at a premium of 10% over the R-scale, during the Proof of Concept.

Action may be taken accordingly please.


29.03.2022
(Ashutosh Mishra)
Jt Director Freight Marketing
Railway Board

2020/TC(FM)/11/19

New Delhi, dated 21.3.2022

Copy to:

- a) The Dy Comptroller & Auditor General of India (Railways)
- b) The PFA, WR/ NR/ NCR/ NER
- c) The Principal Director of Audit, WR/ NR/ NCR/ NER


29.03.2022
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- a) DRMs, Mumbai Division (WR), Lucknow Division (NR), Prayagraj Division (NCR), and Varanasi Division (NER)
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