EAST COAST RAILWAY

Office of the Pr. Chief Commercial Manager 1st Floor, North Block, Rail Sadan Bhubaneswar – 751017

Commercial Circular No.381 (GC)/Parcel/2024

Date: 12.11.2024

Sub: Provision of e-Parcel Way Bill (e-PWB) in Parcel Management System (PMS).

Ref:-(i) CAO/PIS/Northern Railway's letter No.CAO/PIS/93/PMS/Phase-III,III/Rollout issues/IR/2014/Part-I dated.08.11.2024

(ii) CAO/PIS/Northern Railway's letter No.CAO/PIS/93/PMS/Phase-I/Rollout issues/IR/ 2014/Part-I dated.04.10.2021 (This office Circular No.340(GC)/Parcel/2021 date.04.10.2021)

Enclosed please find herewith a copy of CAO/PIS/ Northern Railway's letter No.CAO/PIS/93/PMS/Phase-I,II,III/Rollout issues/IR/2014/Part-I dated.08.11.2024 regarding "Provision of e-Parcel Way Bill (e-PWB) in Parcel Management System(PMS)", which is self explanatory for information and necessary action.

All concerned to note and act accordingly.

Authority: Northern Railway's letter No.CAO/PIS/93/PMS/Phase-I,II,III/Rollout issues/IR/2014/Part-I dated 08.11.2024

Encl: As above (11 pages)

(G.R.Nayak)
Asst. Commercial Manager (FS)

12.11.20

For Pr.Chief Commercial Manager

Dt. 12.11.2024

No.CCM/457/PMS/10/Pt.IV

Copy to:-

All SMs/Goods Supervisors/ Comml. Supervisors/Siding clerks/Booking Clerk in charges/Parcel Clerk/ weigh Bridge clerks/City Booking Agencies.

Copy for information and necessary action to the:-

PCOM, PFA, CFTM,SDGM,FA & CAO(T),Chairman/RCT, Dy CVO(T), DY CCO, Dy COM(FOIS),PO/RCT, Audit Officer/ECOR/BBS. Rates Section/CCM/ECoR/BBS, DRM/KUR, WAT& SBP/ECoR, Sr DOM/KUR,WAT,SBP/ECoR, Sr DCM/KUR,WAT,SBP/ECoR, Traffic Manager/Visakhapatnam Port trust (VZP), Paradeep Port Trust/PRDP.

(G.R.Nayak)

Asst. Commercial Manager (FS) For Pr.Chief Commercial Manager

उत्तर रेलवे NORTHERN RAILWAY

Office of Chief Administrative Officer (PIS) IRCA Building, State Entry Road, New Delhi 110055

No: CAO/ PIS/ 93/ PMS/ Phase-I.II.III/Rollout issues/IR/2014/Part-I

दिनांक :Dated: 8 November 2024

Principal Chief Commercial Manager:

All Zonal Railways.

Subject: Provision of e-Parcel Way Bill (e-PWB) in Parcel Management System (PMS).

Reference:

- 1. GM/PMS/CRIS's letter no. CRIS/ HQ/ IMPT/95/2023-PMS dated 06.11.2024.
- 2. This office letter of even no. dated 04.10.2021.
- 3. Railway Board letter no.2021/TC (FM)/11/15 dated 24.08.2021.

CRIS vide letter dated 06.11.2024 informed that it has come to notice that parcel staff is not aware about availability of e-PWB facility for Booking and Delivery of packages in PMS Application. CRIS has also enclosed relevant screenshot in this regard (Copy enclosed as Annexure-A).

In order to avail this facility, the email id and the mobile number of the consignor & consignee are to be provided by consignor at the time of booking at the counter. An email containing soft copy of the receipt (e-PWB) will be sent to consignor's email id in the form of PDF. Consignor will forward this email to the consignee. In order to take delivery of consignment, consignee has to produce an electronic copy (PDF format) at the counter along with OTP confirmation received on his mobile/email.

This office letter dated 04.10.2021 alongwith Railway Board letter dated 24.08.2021(containing guidelines on e-PWB/e-LT) is also attached as Annexure B and C.

Zone is requested to circulate the aforesaid instructions to their respective parcel office for information and these instructions may be placed at conspicuous place at the parcel office for the convenience of Railway staff and customers.

DA/Annex A to C

(Vandana Bhatnagar) Chief Administrative Officer/PIS

Copy to:

- a. Executive Director (Freight Marking), Railway Board, New Delhi- for information.
- b. Chief Commercial Managers/FM/FS: All Zonal Railways- for information & necessary action.
- c. GM/PMS/CRIS, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi-110021- for information.

प्रिटाक्त

रेलवे सूचना प्रणाली केन्द्र

(रेल मंत्रालय भारत सरकार का संगठन)

CRIS

CENTRE FOR RAILWAY INFORMATION SYSTEMS

(An Organisation of the Ministry of Railways, Govt. of India)

No CRIS/HQ/IMPT/95/2023-PMS

Dated 06.11.2024

CAO/PIS, IRCA Building, State Entry Road, New Delhi.

Sub: - Booking & Delivery of packages in PMS through e-PW Bill.

Ref:

- (1) Your office letter No CAO/PIS/93/PMS/Phase-1/Rollout Issues/IR/2014/ Pt.1 dated 04.10.2021
- (2) Railway Board's Letter No 2021/TC (FM) /11/15 dated 24.8.2021.
- (3) This office letter No 2017/CRIS/NDLS-Q/PMS/Implementation/PMIS/0174/ Pt.1 dated 29.9.2021.

During a recent meeting with AM (Commercial) held on 05.11.2024 at Railway Board, it came to notice that parcel staff is not aware about availability of ePWB facility for Booking & Delivery of packages in PMS Application. The instructions in this regards were circulated to all Zonal Railways vide your letter referred at 1 above after getting the procedural approval of Railway Board vide letter referred at 2 above.

The instructions proposed vide letter referred at 3 above are reiterated as under:

"In order to avail this facility, the email ID and the mobile number of the consignor & consignee are to be provided by consignor at the time of booking at the counter. An email containing soft copy of the receipt (e-PWB) will be sent to consignor's email id mentioned in the form of PDF. Consignor will forward this email to the consignee. In order to take the delivery of consignment, consignee has to produce an electronic copy (PDF format) at the counter along with OTP confirmation received on his mobile/email" (relevant screenshot attached).

Instructions issued by your office vide letter referred at 1 above may be re-circulated to all concerned.

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General Manager/PMS

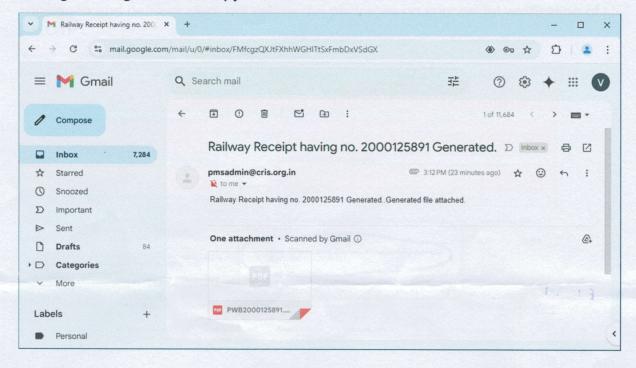
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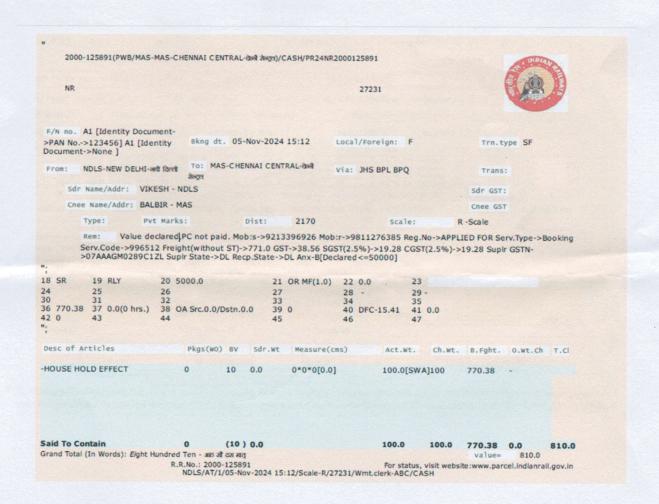
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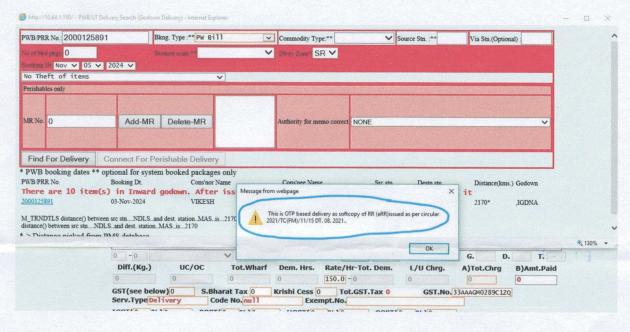
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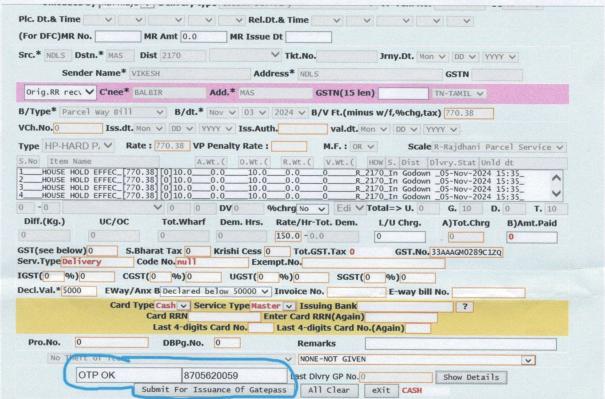
Consignor will get the soft copy of PRR as ePWB in his email id as below





During delivery, the softcopy of the PRR is to be shown to the delivery clerk by the consignee and delivery clerk will deliver the packages on successful verification of the OTP





/L=Length/H=Height/R,B,L,H are in cms./Distance in kms./Freight,Amount charged are in Rs./HOW*=Hrs of Wharfage[in hrs f. tric weight found at Inward godown./U=Unloaded/G=Inward Godown/D=Delivered/R=Remaining items for full delivery/T=Total

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NORTHERN RAILWAY

Office of Chief Administrative Officer (PIS) IRCA Building, State Entry Road, New Delhi 110055

No: CAO/ PIS/ 93/ PMS/ Phase-I/Rollout issues/IR/2014/Part-I

दिनांक :Dated: 4 October 2021

The Principal Chief Commercial Managers:

West Central Railway, Jabalpur North Eastern Railway, Gorakhpur South East Central Railway, Bilaspur North Central Railway, Prayagraj Southern Railway, Chennai Eastern Railway, Kolkata Central Railway, Mumbai South Central Railway, Secundrabad East Coast Railway, Bhubaneswar Western Railway, Mumbai North Western Railway, Jaipur South Western Railway, Hubblli East Central Railway, Hajipur N.F.Railway, Malegaon (Guwahati) South Eastern Railway, Kolkata Northern Railway, New Delhi.

Subject: Provision of e-Parcel Way Bill (e-PWB) in Parcel Management System (PMS).

Reference:

- CRIS's letter no. 2017/ CRIS/ NDLS-HQ/ PMS/ Implementation/ PMIS/ 0174/ Pt.I dated 29.09.2021.
- 2. This office letter of even no. dated 03.09.2021.
- 3. Railway Board letter no.2021/TC (FM)/11/15 dated 24.08.2021.

Railway Board vide their letter dated 24.8.2021 (Item 3 above), had accorded its approval for introduction of e-Parcel Way Bill (E-PWB) in PMS. The detailed guidelines for the introduction of the same is enclosed at **Annexure A**.

The salient features include:

- (a) Transmission of both e-Parcel Way Bill (E-PWB) and e-Luggage Tickets (e-LT) to rail users electronically through PMS.
- (b) The process would enable paperless transaction and would obviate need for physical generation of receipt both at the time of booking and also physical verification of receipt at the time of delivery of consignment.
- (c) At the time of the booking of parcel/ luggage, details as mentioned in forwarding note along with the mobile number and e-mail ID of the **consigner** as well as the consignee will be captured fed into the system.
- (d) On submission of details in the PMS booking counter, printing of PWB through printer as well as email of the e-PWB (.pdf format) will be send to the **consigner**.
- (e) e-PWB will be forwarded by the consigner to the consignee.
- (f) Once the consignment is unloaded at the destination, SMS will be sent to the valid consignee's mobile number.
- (g) At the time of delivery, the consignee shall produce the e-PWB/ e-LT, from which, the PRR number will be fed into the delivery module. An OTP will be generated which will be sent to the consignee's mobile and consigner's email ID.
- (h) The consignee shall verify the OTP received with the counter staff and delivery Gate Pass shall be generated by the system through the printer. Delivery Gate Pass shall be produced for delivery of the consignment.

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- (h) The consignee shall verify the OTP received with the counter staff and delivery Gate Pass shall be generated by the system through the printer. Delivery Gate Pass shall be produced for delivery of the consignment.
- (i) Fall back arrangements for regeneration of OTP has also been provisioned in case of non-receipt of OTP by the consignee. All other provisions including accountal of e-PWB/ e-LT as introduced in PMS has been enumerated further is available at Annexure A.

CRIS, now, vide letter dated 29.9.2021 (SN 1) informed that the provision for generating e-PWB /e-LT in Parcel Management System application has been made online after testing w.e.f. 20.09.2021. They have further confirmed the fact that the email ID and the mobile number of both the consignor & consignee are to be provided by consignor at the time of booking at the counter. An email containing .pdf soft copy of the receipt (e-PWB) (.pdf format) will be sent to consignor's email ID.

Zonal Railway, are requested to issue instructions to all parcel office to extensively use the facility and highlight issues related to its implementation to this office at the earliest

Encl: Annexure A

(Seema Dhir) Chief Administrative Officer/PIS

Copy for:

- Chief Commercial Manager's/ FM of all Zonal Railways may like to educate consigned about feeding of valid and correct mobile number of consignee at the time 1. of booking of the consignment.
- Executive Director (Freight Marking), Ministry of Railway, Railway Board, New 2. Delhi.

Annexure-C

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

No. 2021/TC(FM)/11/15

New Delhi, Date: 24.08.2021

Managing Director, CRIS, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi.

Sub: Provision of e-Parcel Way Bill (e-PWB) in PMS.

Ref: (i) CRIS' letter no. 2017/CRIS/NDLS-HQ/PMS/IMPLEMENT/PMIS/0174/PT-1, dtd. 02.07.2021.

(ii) WCR's letter no. WCR/HQ/C/P-602/FM Circular/Suggestions, dtd. 19.02.2021.

The proposal sent by West Central Railway vide letter under ref-(ii) along with the process flow furnished vide letter under ref-(i), have been examined in consultation with Accounts and Finance Directorates of Railway Board.

Approval of the Competent Authority is hereby accorded for implementation of e-Parcel Way Bill (e-PWB) in the Parcel Management System (PMS). In this regard, detailed guidelines have also been framed which are enclosed herewith.

CRIS is accordingly requested to take necessary action for implementation of e PWB in the PMS, under intimation to this office.

DA: As above.

(Yasir Rizvi)

Dy. Director Freight Marketing Railway Board

Copy to -

CAO/PIS, Northern Railway, IRCA Building, State Entry Road, New Delhi.

GUIDELINES ON 'e-PWB/LT'

1.0 The scheme of **e-PWB/LT** provides facility for transmission of Railway Receipt to rail users electronically through PMS.

2.0 Extant Procedure

Presently, Parcel-way Bill (PWB)/Luggage Ticket (LT) are prepared at the Booking Office/ station when the consignment is presented for booking at the parcel office. Four foils are printed namely Receipt (RR), Guard Foil (Transit Invoice), Accounts Foil and Record Foil. RR bears the signature of Parcel staff. RR printed (on pre-printed stationery) is given to the rail customer (viz. consignor), who further transfers it to the consignee through post or courier. Endorsement of RR is done manually. At destination station, delivery of consignment is given on surrender of original RR by customer duly taking signature of the invoiced or endorsed consignee(s) on the delivery register.

3.0 Concept of e-PWB

e-generation of PWB/LT is a process that will enable paperless transaction in parcel business. The concept will obviate the need for physical generation of receipts at the time of booking and also physical verification of receipts at the time of delivery. The broad features of the electronic PWB/LT are as under-

3.1 Booking

- 3.1.1 There will be a **Module in PMS for booking** of parcel/luggage. The module will have provision for generation of PWB/LT.
- 3.1.2 Details from the forwarding note alongwith the mobile number and e-mail id of consignor will be fed into the system.

3.2 Generation and transfer of e-PWB/LT

- 3.2.1 On final submission of the booking details at the counter, printing of receipt will be done through printer and simultaneously an email, containing the soft copy of the receipt (e-PWB) will be sent to consignor's email-id in the form of PDF. Consignor will forward this email, to the consignee.
- 3.2.2 Consignee will get a system generated SMS on his mobile number when the parcel is unloaded at the destination.

3.3 Verification of e-receipt (E-PWB/LT)

3.3.1 When the consignee approaches the delivery counter for collection of the consignment, he/she will be required to produce an electronic copy (in PDF format) of the Receipt (e-PWB).

- 3.3.2 In delivery module, staff will enter PRR number mentioned in the produced e-PWB. This will generate an OTP, which will be sent to consignee's mobile as well as in consignee's email.
- 3.3.3 Consignee verifies the OTP received with counter staff, who will feed the OTP in the system and will verify in the system. If OTP is not delivered consignee will show OTP from his email. In case OTP does not arrive in email then staff will reenter PRR number to get the OTP again.

3.4 Delivery against e-PWB/LT

- 3.4.1 On receiving correct OTP, Delivery Gatepass will be generated by the system through printer.
- 3.4.2 Delivery Gatepass will be produced by consignee for delivery of consignment.

4.0 General

- 4.1 Accounts Foil of e-PWB/LT will be transmitted to concerned Traffic Accounts office and retained in electronic form. Record Invoice will be retained in electronic form in the system of originating station. The foil intended for destination will be transmitted in electronic form and Parcel clerk will be able to open and view its details.
- 4.2 In place of Transit foil, the system will provide the facility of viewing e-PWB/LT details, as and when required by Tax Authority of respective State Government/Central Government.
- 4.3 CRIS will also provide the facility of viewing e-PWB/LT details as and when required, by the Service Tax authority.
- 4.4 In case of technical error (like system breakdown or network failure) when e-PWB/LT could not be generated or transmitted, the normal RR on preprinted stationery may be given to the customer after Parcel clerk has obtained due permission from Sr.DCM or DCM Incharge who will in turn take due confirmation from CRIS.
 - Similarly in case of technical error at the time of taking delivery, if the OTP is not generated/sent on SMS and/or e-mail, the delivery may be affected after the responsible Railway staff verifies the identity of the consignee (through Aadhar Card or any other verifiable identity proof). Proper documentation of such deliveries, along with copies of the identity proofs submitted by the consignees, shall be maintained.
- 4.5 System will provide Zonal Railways the facility to view transaction log for each transaction, on real time basis.
- 4.6 All extant guidelines pertaining to RR will continue to apply in the case of e-PWB/LT to the extent modified by this circular.

5.0 Role and Responsibility of CRIS

- 5.1 CRIS to develop the software for e-PWB/LT in PMS and issue secured unique User ID and password for each staff of each parcel booking location dealing with the preparation of e-PWB/LT and delivery of consignment.
- 5.2 The system should be built in with the features to ensure that all transactions are done in a secured way. The responsibility for obtaining User ID and password from CRIS for all parcel staff dealing with the preparation of RR and delivery of consignments will lie with concerned Zonal Railway.
- 5.3 Details of surrendered e-PWB/LT are to be made available for viewing by TA office in PMS.
- 5.4 All requisite MIS reports shall be made available for Commercial &Accounts officials.
- 5.5 Till the system stabilizes, provision for printing PDF copy of e-PWB/LT by TA office will be available; if so required for internal checks as per codal provisions.

6.0 Secure Implementation and Reconciliation of e-PWB/LT

Secure implementation of **e-PWB/LT**, protection of user IDs etc. will be done as per the instructions issued by C&IS Dte. and reconciliation of **e-PWB/LT**will be done as per the guidelines prescribed by Accounts Dte. of Railway Board.
