EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY

Rates Circular (Goods) No. 29 of 2026

No-ECR/CRM/FMS/02/Policy/Misc/34772 **Dated- 26.03.2026**

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Sub: - Procedure orders for Maize traffic over ECR.
Ref: - (i)Railway Board's letter No. TC-I/2012/101/1 dated 07.01.2013,31.05.2019, 31.01.2020 & 18.03.2020.
(ii) Railway Board's letter No-TC-I/2020/101/efile/1(3323942) dated-11.03.2021.
(iii) Rule -201 of IRCA, Goods Tariff No. 41, Pt.I, Vol. 1 & Para- 1402 of IR Code for traffic (Commercial) Deptt.
(iv) RB's letter no- 2020/TT-III/1/1 (PTO GO No.100) dated 17.03.2026.
(v) This office Rates Circular (Goods) No 15 of 2025 dated 04.04.2025.
(vi) Railway Board's letter No- RMC/Demurrage- Wharfage- Waiver/2016/0 dated 19-05-2016 and its corrigendum thereof.
(vii) This office letter no-ECR/CRM/FMS/02/Premium Indent (290975)dt.13.02.25.

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To facilitate maize loading, the competent authority has approved following instructions/provisions applicable at all maize loading Goods sheds over SEE & SPJ divisions of ECR: -

Sl. No.	Provisions
1.	The Wagon Registration Fee (WRF) for all commodities at all maize loading stations of SEE & SPJ division will be Rs. 5 lakhs (Five lakh rupees). It will be valid up to 30.06.2026 for all commodities except Maize for which it will be continued till further advice.
2.	Minimum distance for placing indents will be 300 Kms for all commodities except RMC (Ballast, stone chips, sleeper) traffic. It will be valid up to 30.06.2026 for all commodities except Maize for which it will be continued till further advice.
3.	The indent withdrawal period will be 30 days for the indents registered on or after date of issuing guidelines.
4.	A customer can place maximum 5 (Five) indents at a station at a time. At any terminal/ Goods Shed, the maximum limit to accept indents will be 100 (One hundred) only.

5.	Premium Indents will be kept outside the restricted number i.e. 100 per Goods shed and (05) five per customer at a terminal. It will be in accordance with the Railway Board's letter No-TC-I/2020/101/efile/1(3323942) dtd-11.03.2021 under reference-(ii) and this office letter under ref-(vii). Registration of premium indents shall be accepted in the system accordingly. It is further mentioned that the guidelines issued vide letter under reference-(vii) will be applicable for all commodities at all Maize loading terminals of SEE & SPJ division i.e. (i) Expected date of loading of Premium indents for all commodities at all Maize loading terminals of SEE & SPJ division may be restricted to maximum of 60 days in advance from the date of registration of indent. (ii) Minimum distance for placing Premium indents may be made to 300 Kms for all commodities. (iii) Placing of Premium Indents may be restricted to full rake for all commodities.
6.	No piecemeal indents are admissible at any Maize loading terminals of SEE & SPJ divisions. (SMO, KUE, NNA, KTRH, MNE, KGG, BJU, GHZ, TIL, SLNA, HPO, ALUH, BHB, SHC, SBM, SRSI, DMH, BHGJ, PPV).
7.	Maize loading terminals are SMO, KUE, NNA, KTRH, MNE, KGG, BJU, GHZ, TIL, SLNA, HPO, ALUH, BHB, SHC, SBM, SRSI, DMH, BHGJ and PPV.
8.	All maize loading terminals mentioned at item (7) above, are restricted for inward maize traffic.
9.	The following Maize terminals- SMO, KUE, NNA, MNE, KGG, HPO, SLNA, BHB, SHC, SBM, SRSI & DMH to be treated as congested Goods terminal.
10.	Loading of other traffic will be accepted as per PTO GO No.100 dated 17-03-2026 vide letter under reference-(iv) and other relevant circulars issued by Railway Board from time to time.
11.	Stacking period of Indents at a Station during the peak season up to 30.06.2026, will be governed as under-

Sl. No	Total number of Indents at a station	Stacking Hours to be permitted
1	Up to 05	24 Hrs.
2	From 06 to 50	12 Hrs.
3	51 and above	04 Hrs

a) This is broader guidelines for stacking at a station. Division may issue their own stacking guidelines with the approval of DRM in accordance with Railway Board's circular (Para-7 of Chapter-II of RMC on DC-WC-Waiver/2016/0 dtd-19.05.2016) as per local condition and their requirement with proper justification and after due notice of 48 hours in advance to all concerned.

b) The stacking period shall be counted continuously from the time and date the permission of stacking is granted by the division. If there is no demand of stacking up to 02 hrs. after release of previous rake then empty rake may be placed after lapse of 02 hrs. against the next eligible indent.

12.	Demurrage charges shall be applicable as per RB's circular no- RMC/Demurrage-Wharfage- Waiver/2016/0 dated 19-05-2016 and its corrigendum thereof issued from time to time.
13.	As per para 1.1.10 of Railway Board letter no. RMC/Weighment/2019/0 dtd 25.07.2019 Railway Receipt is to be prepared normally within 24 hrs from the loading but for want

	of weighment the same may be delayed up to 48 hrs. In view of the above and request received from merchant the following guidelines are issued regarding issue of RR: - a) All maize loaded rakes should be weighed 100%. Division must ensure weighment of loaded rakes. b) All RRs to be issued within 24hrs. In case of non-weighment, RR may be issued on "SWA" subject to weighment thereafter and realization of penal charges. If any by the originating station itself. c) Party availing this facility will apply in writing at loading station. Loading station will ensure execution of I Bond in prescribed Format between party and goods shed superintendent/Station Master. Rs. Three Lakh (in the form of DD) to be kept as security deposit at station. Penal charge, if any can be adjusted from security deposit. The same has to be recouped once the deposit get exhausted. d) A separate cash book cum weighment register will be maintained at loading point. RR wise details to be maintained with clear remarks of penal charge realization vide DD no. and balance amount left. TIA visiting station must check this register. e) Sr. DOM of division will ensure 100% weighment of rakes at associate/alternate or en-route weighbridges. In case of non-realization of penal charge by originating station FOIS/TMS message to be given in time to the destination station for ensuring realization of penal charge before granting delivery of the consignment.
14.	The above provisions regarding maize loading may be reviewed whenever required, as necessary. Any proposals/suggestions in this regard may be forwarded to HQ to issue necessary guidelines accordingly.
15.	All necessary guidelines and circulars issued by Railway Board should be followed by division for maize traffic.
16.	Bangladesh traffic indents and RMC traffic will not be included in the above restrictions of any kind of JPO.
17.	CRIS is advised to update necessary changes/modification in TMS/FOIS accordingly.
18.	These instructions will be valid from 01.04.2026 till further advice.

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