



Government of India
Ministry of Railways
(Railway Board)

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The General Managers,
NWR, NER & SER.

Sub: Phased closure/ merger of in-house printing presses of Indian Railways.

Ref: Board's Letter No. 2008/RS(Ptg.)/ WS/Rev.Comm dt. 30-01-2009

1.1 As per the earlier action plan circulated vide Board's letter dated 30-01-2009, few smaller general printing press at NWR/Ajmer, NER/Gorakhpur and SER/Kharagpur were to be taken up for phased merger/closure by the year 2010 & 2012.

1.2 Based on the Hon'ble MR's Budget announcement 2009, the present policy as circulated to all the General managers vide Board's letter under reference, for phased closure/merger of smaller General presses with bigger respectively have been reviewed.

2.0 Accordingly, it has been decided in supersession of Board's letter under reference, Annexure-I, para 2.1 that the General printing press, at NWR/Ajmer, NER/Gorakhpur and SER/Kharagpur, will continue for five years. Thereafter, a review shall be made based on the workload and demands of printing in these Railways which can be assessed for considering their merger with ER & NR general printing press after full scale modernisation of these presses.

2.1 In regard to para 3.0, 3.1 and 5.0 of Annexure-I all the books and forms including PRS/UTS ticket and multi color jobs, required to be printed in house and by suitably upgrading Printing and allied machineries.

The requirement of any manpower for additional work load is to be catered with the manpower released from the sections with redundant activities (viz. letter-press printing machines, composing, mono, stereo and from ticket printing due to reduction of work load of card ticket printing) and may be utilized accordingly.

Progress on compliance of revised action plan may kindly be submitted to Board regularly.

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