

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(RAILWAY BOARD)

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DIRECTIVE NO: 5

In exercise of powers conferred under Rule 28 of RPF Rules, 1987, read with Section 8(2) of the RPF Act, 1957 (as amended in 1985), the undersigned hereby issues the following directive.

The proviso to Rule 133 of RPF Rules, 1987 authorises an Assistant Security Commissioner and an Inspector to place under suspension a Sub-Inspector and an officer of an below the rank of under officer respectively under exceptional circumstances. By means of this Directive the exceptional circumstances under which such suspensions can be made are enumerated as follows:-

- a) to prevent an assault by a delinquent or use of criminal force by him against any higher officer or his colleague or any enrolled member of the force subordinate to him in rank or position;
- b) disobedience of orders or for an act of cowardice likely to result in loss of life and property;
- c) red-handed apprehension of a delinquent while committing an act of moral turpitude where public agitation or breach of peace may be instant or imminent;
- d) being in a state of intoxication thereby lowering the image of the Department.
- e) commission of any misconduct likely to result in en-masse indiscipline or mutinous situation amongst other members of the force.
- f) commission of an offence or unlawful act instantly provoking reprisal from commuters or other rail users;
- g) where the delinquent is unable to perform his duty for mental incapacity and it is expedient to deprive him of his powers.
- h) where continuance in office is against wider public interest.

Exercise of these powers are to be restricted to situations where it is not possible to communicate with the competent authority and obtain his order without jeopardising the situation any further.

Further, the circumstances warranting such suspensions should be reported to the competent authority within 3 days including the date of suspension and the competent authority should confirm or otherwise the said action within 15 days of the receipt of such report.

Raja Sreedharan

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