

WPA 22129 of 2022

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Heard learned counsel for the petitioner.

In response to a query made by this Court as to whether there is a separate terminal available at SMVB station of Bengaluru division for loading and unloading, the railway authorities, by submitting a further affidavit has stated that there is a separate parcel siding for loading and unloading of leased VPH at SMVB terminal and in Yasvantpur Station.

Clause 11.6 of the agreement says that three hours free time from the time at which the parcel van/vehicle as placed in position, shall be allowed for loading or unloading of parcels in case of leased parcel vans placed at separate terminal at originating and destination station.

Referring to a letter issued by Senior Divisional Commercial Manager, Bengaluru on March 6, 2023 to the Senior Divisional Commercial Manager, Kharagpur Division, South Eastern Railway, learned counsel for the respondents submits that the authority has decided not to provide the facility for loading and unloading at the

parcel siding for trains having platform turnaround with leased parcel van.

It is not clear as to how such decision has been taken by the authority in contravention of the lease as well as railway circular.

Learned counsel for the respondents seeks to take instructions in this regard.

Let the matter appear under the same heading on 3rd October, 2023.

The interim order granted earlier is extended till 10th October, 2023 or until further orders, whichever is earlier.

(Suvra Ghosh, J.)