

# Good News For People Who Wish to Avail 5 Week Break From Work with Family During Diwali & Chhath Vacations

## Railway Launches 20 % Rebate on Base Fare of Return Journey For a Round Trip Package to Spread Out Crowd

Launch on Experimental Basis, the Bookings For Round Trip Package Begins From 14th August For Onward Journey From 13th to 26th October

Current Advance Reservation Period of 60 Days Not Applicable For Discounted Return Journey Tickets Booked For 17th November to 1st December 2025

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In order to avoid rush, ensure hassle free booking as well as to facilitate passengers and redistribute the peak traffic for larger range during peak festival seasons and ensure both side utilization of trains including special trains, it has been decided to formulate an experimental scheme named as Round Trip Package for festival rush on discounted fare. This scheme will be applicable for those passengers who chooses their return journey during the prescribed period as detailed below:

**(i)** Under this scheme, rebates shall be applicable when booked for both onward and return journey for the same set of passengers. Passenger details of return journey will be same as of onward journey.

**(ii)** Booking start date shall be 14.08.2025 for the ARP date 13th October 2025. Onward ticket shall be booked first for the train start date between 13th October 2025 and 26th October 2025 and subsequently return journey ticket shall be booked by using connecting journey feature for the train start date between 17th November and 1st December 2025. Advance reservation period will not be applicable for booking of return journey.

**(iii)** The above booking shall be permissible only for confirmed tickets in both directions.

**(iv)** Total rebates of 20% shall be granted on base fare of return journey only.

**(v)** Booking under this scheme shall be for the same class and same O-D pair for both onward and return journey.

**(vi)** No refund of fare shall be permissible for the tickets booked under this scheme.

**(vii)** The above scheme shall be allowed for all classes and in all trains including special trains (Trains on demand) except trains having Flexi fare.

**(viii)** No modification will be allowed on these ticket in either of the journey.

**(ix)** No discounts, Rail travel coupons, Voucher based bookings, Passes or PTOs etc. shall be admissible during return journey booking on concessional fare.

**(x)** Both onward and return journey tickets must be booked using the same mode either:

- Internet (online) booking, or
- Counter booking at reservation offices

**(xi)** No additional fare collection will be performed if any arises during charting for these PNRs.

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