administration in this behalf, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year, or with fine which may extend to two thousand rupees, or with both:

Provided that, in the absence of special and adequate reasons to the contrary to be mentioned in the judgment of the court, such punishment shall not be less than a fine of one thousand rupees.

- (2) If any person begs in any railway carriage or upon a railway station, he shall be liable for punishment as provided under sub-section (1).
- (3) Any person referred to in sub-section (1) or sub-section (2) may be removed from the railway carriage or any part of the railway or railway station, as the case may be, by any railway servant authorized in his behalf or by any other person whom such railway servant may call to his aid.

Comments

Section 144 prohibits unauthorized hawking and begging on railway and punishment therefore.

- **145. Drunkenness or nuisance:-** If any person in any railway carriage or upon any part of a railway:-
 - (a) is in a state of intoxication; or
 - (b) commits any nuisance or act of indecency or uses abusive or obscene language; or
 - (c) willfully or without excuse interferes with any amenity provided by the railway administration so as to affect the comfortable travel of any passenger,

he may be removed from the railway by any railway servant and shall, in addition to the forfeiture of his pass or ticket, be punishable with imprisonment which may extend to six months and with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees:

Provided that in the absence of special and adequate reasons to the contrary to be mentioned in the judgment of the court, such punishment shall not be less than:-

- (a) a fine of one hundred rupees in the case of conviction for the first offence; and
- (b) imprisonment of one month and a fine of two hundred and fifty rupees, in the case of conviction for second or subsequent offence.

Comments

Section 145 provides for punishment for drunkenness or nuisance on railway.

146. Obstructing railway servant in his duties:- If any person willfully obstructs or prevents any railway servant in the discharge of his duties, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to six months, or with fine which may extend to one thousand rupees, or with both.

Comments

Section 146 provides for punishment for obstruction of railway servant while on duty.

147. Trespass and refusal to desist from trespass:- (1) If any person enters upon or into any part of a railway without lawful authority, or having lawfully entered upon or into such part misuses such property or refuses to leave, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to six months, or with fine which may extend to one thousand rupees, or with both:

Provided that in the absence of special and adequate reasons to the contrary to be mentioned in the judgment of the court, such punishment shall not be less than fine of five hundred rupees.

(2) Any person referred to in sub-section (1) may be removed from the railway by any railway servant or by any other person whom such railway servant may call to his aid.

Comments

Section 147 provides for punishment for trespass upon a railway.

- **148.** Penalty for making a false statement in an application for compensation:- If in any application for compensation U/Sec.125, any person makes a statement which is false or which he knows or believes to be false or does not believe to be true, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three years, or with fine, or with both.
- **149. Making a false claim for compensation:-** If any person requiring compensation from a railway administration for loss, destruction, damage, deterioration or non-delivery of any consignment makes a claim which is false or which he knows or believes to be false or does not believe to be true, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three years, or with fine, or with both.