

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(RAILWAY BOARD)

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New Delhi, dated 30.6.98

The General Managers
All Zonal Railways/PUs.

The Director General, RDSO, Lucknow.

Chief Administrative Officer, DCW, Patiala.

OSDs/All New Zones

Sub: All India OBC Railway Employees Federation -
guidelines for formation etc.

The question of granting facilities to the OBC Association at All India level i.e. at Railway Board level has been under consideration. While presenting the Railway Budget for the year 1998-99 on 29.5.98, Hon'ble M.R. announced on the floor of the House as under:-

" I have now decided to facilitate the formation of the Associations representing the interests of OBCs at the Railway Board level also and all the facilities which have been extended to the SC/ST Association will also be extended to the OBC Association."

2. After a careful consideration it has been decided that at the Apex level, OBC Association of Railway employees which is fulfilling the following conditions will be given the facilities:-

2.1 Name of the Association : All India Other Backward Classes Railway Employees Federation.

2.2 Headquarters of the Federation will be at Delhi/New Delhi/Delhi area.

2.3 Objects of the Federation : The aims and objects of the Federation should be brought out that it is a Welfare Federation of Genuine OBC Railway Employees and the membership should be open to all the Associations who are functioning at Zonal Railways/Production Units

including RDSO whose office bearers' list is circulated by the Administration.

2.4 Constitution /Bye-laws of the Federation should provide for election by a secret ballot of the office bearers of the Federation. Due democratic procedure in holding the election should be adopted ensuring free, impartial participation of all members of the Federation in election of office bearers.

Elections will be held at least one monthⁱⁿ advance of the expiry of the tenure so that elected office bearers take over on the date of expiry of tenure.

2.5 Constitution/Bye-laws should provide that the Zonal Railways/Production units, RDSO etc. OBC Association whose office bearers' list is circulated by the Administration can only be a member of the Federation.

2.6 It should be provided in the byelaws that the Federation will not indulge in Trade Unions' activities.

2.7 Annual General Meeting

(a) The annual general meeting shall be held as soon as practicable after the completion of the annual auditing of the accounts.

(b) Notice of Schedule Programme of annual general meeting shall be given by General Secretary at least three weeks before the dates fixed by advising Zonal Associations who will in turn advise in time to the Divisional and Branch office bearers and members. Such notice shall also contain particulars of the business to be transacted at the meeting. The venue of the meeting will be at Delhi, New Delhi & Delhi area unless unanimously agreed by all the associations to hold the annual general meeting at a place other than Delhi.

(c) A meeting other than annual general meeting may be convened whenever Central Executive Committee deem it necessary and must be so convened on receipt of requisition by 10% members of the Federation.

3. Balloting: When it is decided by the Central Executive Committee that a ballot of the members shall be taken notice thereof shall be given in the manner prescribed for the annual general meeting. The

procedure for taking the ballot shall be prescribed by the Committee according to the circumstances of each case, provided that the arrangements prescribed ensure secrecy and facility for voting for all members.

4. Quorum for meeting

(a) The quorum for a meeting of the Central Executive Committee shall be sixty per cent of the number constituting the Committee.

(b) The quorum for a general meeting shall be thirty per cent of the total number of delegates elected to represent Zones/Production Unit/RDSO/Divisions and branches at such a meeting.

5. Accounts

Federation

(a) The responsibility for the safe custody of the funds of the Federation shall vest in the Central Executive Committee. The funds shall, if not invested in trustee securities, be deposited in one of the Scheduled Banks or in the Post Office Savings Bank. If deposited in a Scheduled Bank, they may be withdrawn therefrom as required by cheques signed by the Treasurer and either the President or the General Secretary.

(b) The accounts shall be maintained and audited by a qualified person.

(c) The accounts of the Federation shall be open for inspection during the office hours of the Federation. A notice of not less than seven days shall be given in writing by any member or officer of the Federation or by any person deputed for this purpose by the Railway administration. Copies of the annual accounts and of the annual report of the Federation will be submitted to the Railway Board i.e. EDE(Res.).

6. Amendment of rules and dissolution of Union

The rules of the Federation may be amended, varied or rescinded on a decision taken by a three fourths majority at a general meeting called for the purpose.

7. Amendments of byelaws can be done by a resolution passed by 2/3rd majority of the members present in the general body meeting.

8. All the legal disputes which may arise in connection with the Federation, will be contested in the territorial jurisdiction of the courts of Delhi including the territorial jurisdiction of Delhi High Court.

9. COMPOSITION OF THE FEDERATION


The Federation shall consist of general body of elected office bearers of Zonal/Divisional Association etc. of Indian Railways. The General Body will elect the Central Executive Committee of the Federation which will consist of :-

1. President (who can be Honorary President also)
2. Working President
3. Sr. Vice President
4. Vice President
5. General Secretary
6. Joint Secretaries (4)
7. Treasurer
8. Asstt. Genl. Secretaries (5)
9. Auditor

9 A. The tenure of the office bearers of the Federation shall be two years.

All Zonal Railways/Production Units are requested to give wide publicity of the above guidelines and ensure to bring to the notice of the office bearers of the OBC association as well as the Railway employees belonging to the OBC.

Please acknowledge receipt.


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