

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(RAILWAY BOARD)**

ER/Kolkata

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The General Manager(P)
All Indian Railways and Production Units
including new Zones and Metro Railway/Kolkata
The Chief Adm. Officer, DCW, Patiala
The Director General, RDSO, Lucknow.

Sub: Provision of reservation for SCs/STs in the Co-operative Credit Societies on Indian Railways

Railwaymen's Co-operative Credit Societies are separate legal entities which function under the provisions of Coop. Societies Act of the respective State and in case of a Multi-State Coop. Society, under the Multi-State Coop. Societies Act and the rules/sub-rules framed thereunder, in the overall supervision of the Registrar of Coop. Societies of the State concerned or the Central Registrar Coop. Societies in the case of Multi-State Coop. Societies.

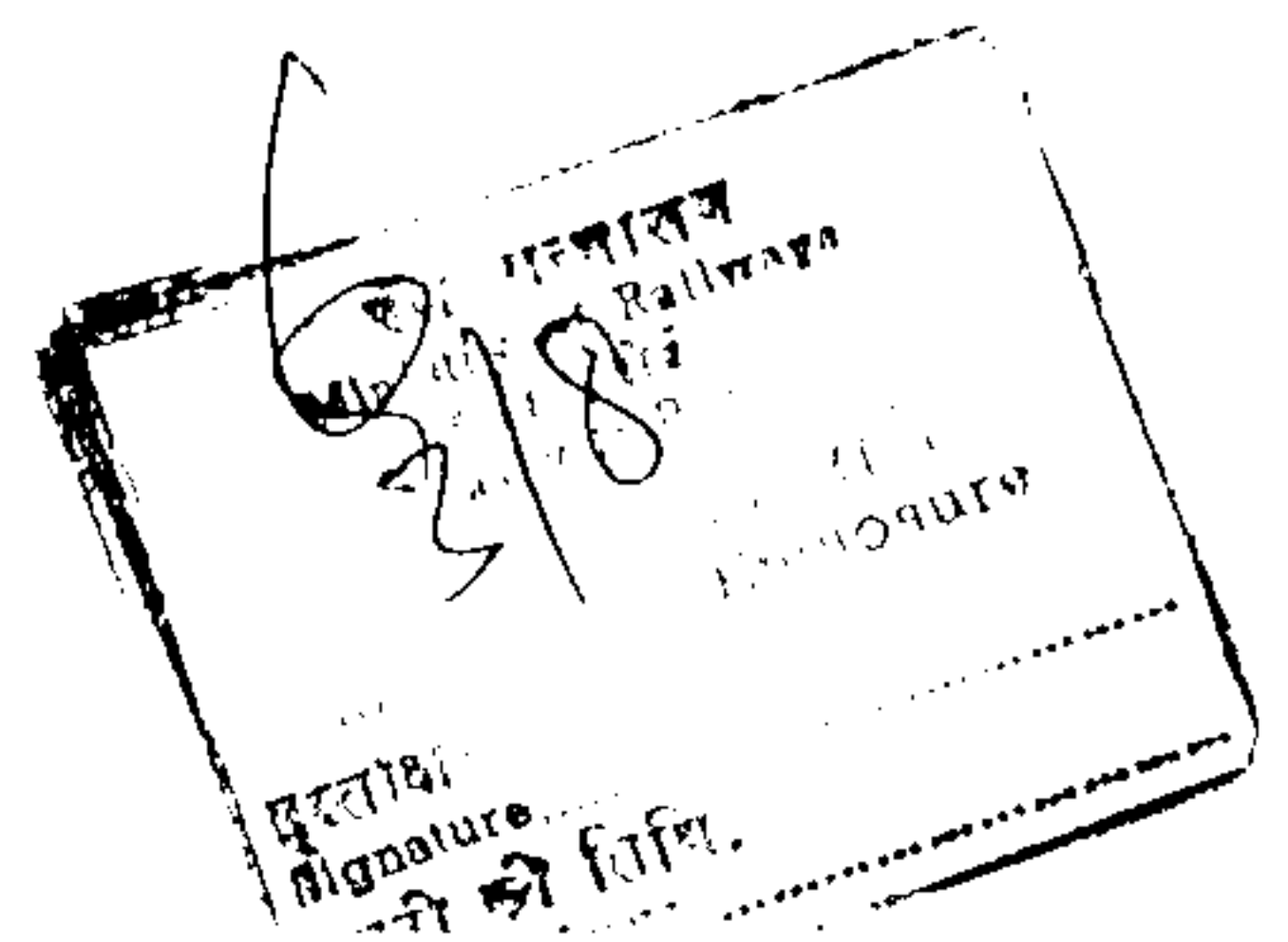
Though some Railwaymen's Co-op. Societies may be having President/ Chairman nominated by the Zonal Railway, but they discharge their duties in respect of the Coop. Societies in the capacity of ex-officio President/Chairman and not as Railway Officer. The employees of the Railwaymen's Coop. Societies are recruited by the societies themselves. Railway have no Administrative/Managerial control over the Railwaymen's Co-op. Societies. Though some facilities are being provided, Railway have no control over the employees of the societies. The claim that the society is part and parcel of Railway has already been negated by the Hon'ble Supreme Court vide its judgement dated 15-12-95 in Civil Appeal No.12148 of 1995.

During the informal meeting held between the Central Executive Committee of All India SC/ST Railway Employees Association and Railway Board on 13-2-2004, it has been brought to the notice of the Board that reservation for SCs/STs be provided in the Co-operative Credit Societies on Indian Railways since all the share-holders of such Societies are Railway employees and the Railways have given certain facilities of passes, office, Railway Quarter etc. to such Societies. As such, they are part and parcel of Railway Administration. Moreover, General Manager is the President of the Society.

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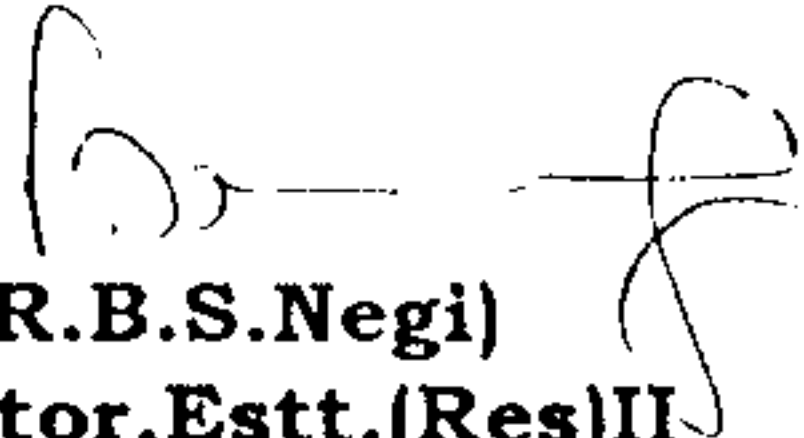
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The matter has been examined by the Board and find that though the Railwaymen's Coop. Credit Societies are quasi administrative organisations as Institutes and Clubs, the Railways are not competent to instruct the Societies to reserve posts for the persons belonging to SC/ST/OBC communities for recruitment/ promotion to the their employees. However, after a careful consideration, Board recommends that the Co-operative Credit Societies operating on your Railway/Production Unit may be requested to amend the policies to provide reservation to SCs/STs/OBC in recruitment/ promotion of its staff/officers as per their procedures and policies which are controlled by the Registrar.

Please acknowledge the letter.


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