GOVERNMENT OF INDIA (BHARAT SARKAR)
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (RAIL MANTRALAYA)
(RAILWAY BOARD)

No.F(E)III/2008/PN1/12

New Delhi, Dated: 43.03.2018

The GMs/Principal Financial Advisers,
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11. The Pay & Accounts Officer, Ministry of Railways (Railway Board).
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16. B. Jayajaya Rao, President, All India Retired Railway Officer's Association, 12-13-268 (505) New, Street-2, Lane 9, Tamaka, Secunderabad-500 017.

17. The General Secretary, All India Federation of Pensioners Association, T.P.M Hall, 22, Kavirai Street, Saidapet West, Chennai-600 015.
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(Copy to Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare (DOP&PW) w.r.t. their O.M. No. 21/1/16-P&PW(F) dated 30.09.2016)
OFFICE MEMORANDUM


The undersigned is directed to say that Section 47 of the Persons with Disabilities (Equal opportunities, protection and rights and full participation) Act, 1995 (PWD Act 1995) provides as under:

"Non-discrimination in Government Employment -(1) No establishment shall dispense with, or reduce in rank, an employee who acquires a disability during his service:

Provided that, if an employee, after acquiring disability is not suitable for the post he was holding, could be shifted to some other post with the same pay scale and service benefits:

Provided further that if it is not possible to adjust the employee against any post, he may be kept on a supernumerary post until a suitable post is available or he attains the age of superannuation, whichever is earlier.

(2) - No promotion shall be denied to a person merely on the ground of his disability:

Provided that the appropriate Government may having regard to the type of work carried on in any establishment, by notification and subject to such conditions, if any, as may be specified in such notification, exempt any establishment from the provisions of this section."

2. Department of Personnel & Training have, vide their OM No.18017/1/2014-Estt(L) dated 25.02.2015 and O.M. No. 25012/1/2015 – Estt (A-IV) dated 19.05.2015, issued instructions in pursuance of the above provisions of the PWD Act, 1995 in respect of the Government employees seeking retirement, on medical grounds, under the CCS(Pension) Rules. The instructions inter alia provide that whenever a Government servant seeks retirement under Rule 38 or Rule 48/48(A) of Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules citing medical grounds, or when the notice has been submitted due to a disability, the administrative authorities shall examine as to whether the case is covered under section 47 of the PWD Act, 1995. In case the provisions of the Act are applicable, the Government servant shall be advised that he/she has option of continue in service with the same pay scale and service benefits.
In case a disabled Government servant re-considers his decision and withdraws the notice for voluntary retirement, his case shall be dealt with under the provision of Section 47 of the Act read with the Department of Personnel and Training’s OM dated 25.2.2015. If, however, in spite of being so advised, such Government servant still wishes to take voluntary retirement, the request may be processed as per the applicable Rules. A copy each of DoPT’s OM dated 25.2.2015 and dated 19.5.2015 is enclosed.

3. Further, in accordance with the Central Civil Services (Extraordinary Pension) Rules disability pension is admissible to a Government servant if he is boarded out on account of disability due to wound, injury or decease which is attributable to Government service. The provisions of the Central Civil Services (Extraordinary Pension) Rules have been examined in the light of provisions of Section 47 of the PWD Act, 1995 and the instructions contained in DoP&T’s OM dated 19.5.2015 referred to above. It is clarified that the provisions of the PWD Act and the instructions issued by DoP&T in this regard would also be applicable to Government servants covered by the provisions of Central Civil Services (Extraordinary Pension) Rules.

4. Accordingly, in all cases where a Government servant acquires disability on account of a wound, injury or disease attributable to Government service, administrative authorities shall examine as to whether the case is covered under Section 47 of the Persons with Disabilities (Equal opportunities, protection and rights and full participation) Act, 1995 (PWD Act. 1995). In case the provision are applicable, the Government servant shall be advised that he/she has the option of continuing in service with the same pay scale and service benefits. In case a disabled Government servant wishes to continue in service, his case shall be dealt with under the provision of Section 47 of PWD Act read with the Department of Personnel and Training’s OM dated 19.5.2015. In case, however, the Government servant still wishes to retire, the request may be processed as per the provisions of Central Civil Services (Extraordinary Pension)) Rules.

5. All Ministries and Departments are requested to keep the above in view of while processing cases of requests for retirement under CCS (Pension) Rules or CCS (BoP) Rules.

(Vandana Sharma)
Additional Secretary to the Government of India

To

The Secretaries,
All Ministries/Departments of the Government of India

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1. Comptroller & Auditor General of India, New Delhi
2. Union Public Service Commission, New Delhi.