RBE No. 29/2020

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

No. F(E)!!!/2005/PN1/35

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New Delhi, Dated : 04 .03.2020

The GMs/Principal Financial Advisors, All Zonal Railways/Production Units, (As per mailing list)

Subject:

Counting of service on joining new service in State Government/Central Government/Autonomous Body for the benefit of gratuity in respect of Railway employees covered under National Pension System (NPS).

A copy of Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare (DOP&PW's) O.M. No. 7/5/2012-P&PW(F)/B dated 12th February, 2020 is enclosed herewith for compliance and guidance. These instructions shall apply mutatis mutandis on the Railways also. Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 1972 correspond to the Railway Services (Pension) Rules, 1993.

2. The Railway Board's instructions corresponding to the DOP&PW's instructions referred to in their aforesaid O.M. dated 12th February, 2020 are given under:-

S.No.	DOP&PW's instructions			Railwa instruc	-	Board's	corresponding	
1.	O.M. No. 38/41/06-P&PW(A) dated 05.05.2009) Letter 29.05.2	No. 2009.	2008/AC	/AC-II/21/19 dated	
2.	O.M. dated		7/5/2012-P&PW(F)/ 2016	3 Letter 05.09.2	No. 2016.	2012/F(E)111/1(1)/4	dated

D.A.: as above

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(G. Priya Sudarsani) Director, Finance (Estt.), Railway Board.

New Delhi, dated: 04 . 2.2020.

Copy to Deputy Comptroller and Auditor General of India (Railways), Room No. 224, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.

For Financial Commissioner/Railways.

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New Delhi, dated: 04 . .03.2020.

- 1. The General Secretary, NFIR, Room No. 256-E, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 2. The General Secretary, AIRF, Room No. 253, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 3. The Members of the National Council, Departmental Council and Secretary Staff Side, National Council, 13-C, Feroze Shah Road, New Delhi.
- 4. The Secretary General, FROA, Room No. 256-A, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 5. The Secretary, RBSS, Group "A" Officers Association, Rail Bhawan.
- 6. The Secretary, RBSS, Group "B" Officers Association.
- 7. The General Secretary, RBSSSA, Room No. 451-A, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 8. The Secretary General, IRPOF, Room No. 268, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 9. The Secretary, Railway Board Ministerial Staff Association.
- 10. The Secretary, Railway Board Class IV Staff Association.
- 11. The Secretary General, All India RPF Association, Room No. 256-D, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi- 110001.
- 12. The Secretary, Railway Board Promottee Officers Association, Room No. 341-C, Rail Bhawan.
- 13. The General Secretary, All India SC/ST Railway Employees Association, Room No. 7, Ground Floor, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 14. The General Secretary, All India O.B.C. Railway Employee's Federation (AIOBCREF), Room No. 48, Rail Bhawan.

For Secretary/Railway Board.

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New Delhi, dated: ◊4 . .o₹ .2020.

Copy to:

EDPG to MR, EDPG to MoS(R), EDPG-II to MoS(R), APS to MoS(R).

PSOs/Sr. PPSs/PPSs/PSs to Chairman, Railway Board, Financial Commissioner (Railways), Member Traffic, Member Engineering, Member Staff, Member Rolling Stock, Member Traction, Member (Signal & Telecom), Member (Material Management), Secretary, Railway Board.

DG(RHS), DG(RPF), DG/Pers.

All Additional Members, Principal Executive Directors, All Executive Directors, IG/RPSF, JS, JS(G), JS(E), JS(E)-II, JS(G)-II/ Railway Board.

Copy to Section's Yearly Guard File.

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New Delhi, dated: 04 . 23 .2020.

Copy to:-

- 1. The Director General and Ex. Officio General Manager, RDSO/Lucknow.
- 2. The General Manager and FA&CAO, Metro Railway/Kolkata.
- 3. The Director General, National Academy of Indian Railways (NAIR)/Vadodara.
- 4. The General Manager, Modern Coach Factory, Lalgani, Raebareli, U.P.-229120.
- 5. The Director, IRICEN/Pune, IRIEEN/Nasik Road, IRIMEE/Jamalpur, IRISET/Secuderabad.
- 6. The CMDs, IRCON, IRFC, MRVC, IRC&TC, CONCOR, RITES, KRCL, RVNL, RAILTEL and the Managing Director, CRIS, IRWO.
- 7. The Chairman, RCC, Lok Sabha Secretariat/New Delhi.
- 8. The Chairman, RCT/Delhi.
- 9. The Chairman, RRB/Ajmer, Ahmedabad, Allahabad, Bangalore, Bhopal, Bhubaneshwar, Chandigarh, Chennai, Kolkata, Jammu, Gorakhpur, Guwahati, Malda, Mumbai, Muzaffarpur, Patna, Ranchi, Secunderabad and Trivandrum.
- 10. The Pay & Accounts Officer, Ministry of Railways (Railway Board).
- 11. The Chief Commissioner of Railway Safety/Lucknow.
- 12. The Vice Chairman, Rail Land Development Authority, Near Safdarjung Railway Station, Motibagh-1, New Delhi-110021.
- 13. The CAO, Indian Railway Organization for Alternate Fuels, 12th Floor, Core-1, Scope Minar, District Centre, Laxmi Nagar, Delhi-92.

रेल अञ्चलय Minicate में Reilways रेकार देवल अपने Board अरेका मार्च सामित जारी प्राप्त with Enclosure

No. 7/5/2012-P&PW(F)/B Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare

Lok Nayak Bhavan. Khan Market, New Delhi. Dated the 12th February, 2020.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM.

Subject: Counting of service on joining new service in State Government / Central Government / autonomous body for the benefit of gratuity in respect of Central Govt. Employees covered under National Pension System (NPS).

The undersigned is directed to say that vide this Department's O.M. No. 38/41/06-P&PW(A) dated 05.05.2009, in the event of death / disability during service, the benefits of Invalid / Disability pension. Family pension and retirement / death gratuity were provisionally extended to NPS employees at par with the employees appointed before 01.01.2004. Subsequently, the benefit of retirement gratuity and death gratuity has been extended to all Central Government employees covered under National Pension System (NPS) vide this Department's OM No. 7/5/2012-P&PW(F)/B dated 26.08.2016 on the same terms and conditions, as are applicable to employees covered by CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972.

- 2. References have been received in the Department seeking clarification with regard to the benefit of retirement gratuity on mobility from one organization to another organization. This matter has been considered in consultation with Department of Expenditure. It has been decided that the grant of retirement gratuity and counting of service for gratuity on mobility of an NPS Government employee may be regulated in the following manner:
 - (i) On mobility from a Central Government service to another Central Government service, the service rendered in the previous Department in the Central Government shall be counted for the purpose of grant of gratuity. There shall be no sharing of gratuity liability between the two Departments of Central Government.
 - (ii) On mobility from a Central Government service to a State Government service having National Pension System with provision for Retirement / Death Gratuity for its employees similar to those in Central Government, the service rendered in the Central Government shall be counted for the purpose of grant of gratuity. Same provisions shall apply on mobility of an NPS employees of the State Government to Central Government Department. There shall be no sharing of gratuity liability between the Central and State Governments.

- (iii) On mobility from Central Government service to a Central or State Autonomous Body service having National Pension System with provision of retirement / death gratuity for its employees similar to that in the Central Government, the service rendered in the Central Government would be counted for grant of gratuity. The Government will discharge its gratuity liability by paying the amount of retirement gratuity for the service rendered in the Government to the Central or State Autonomous body. This procedure shall be followed mutatis mutandis in respect of NPS employees going over from one autonomous body to another autonomous body or from an autonomous body to Central Government / Department / organisation both having National Pension System with provision of retirement / death gratuity for its employees similar to that in the Central Government.
- (iv) On mobility from Central Government service to a Central or State Autonomous Body or to a State Government where the provision for grant of gratuity similar to that in Central Government does not exist or to a Public Sector Undertaking, the NPS Government employees shall be granted retirement gratuity as per rule for the service rendered in the Central Government subject to the condition that the total gratuity admissible in respect of the service rendered under the Government of India and that under the later organization, shall not exceed the amount that would have been admissible, had Government servant continued in Government service and retired on the same pay which he/ she drew on retirement from the later Organization.

The above provisions would be applicable to Government employees covered under NPS who resign to take up with proper permission, another appointment in the Central / State Government or Central / State Autonomous body or a PSU.

- 3. This issues with the concurrence of Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure vide their U.O. Note No. 1(4)/EV/2006-II Dated 30.10.2019.
- 4. In their application to the employees of Indian Audit and Accounts Department, these orders issued after consultation with the Comptroller and Auditor General of India, as mandated under Article 148(5) of the Constitution.
- 5. All the Ministries / Departments are requested to bring the above instruction to the notice of all offices—field formation working under their administrative control.

(Ruchir Mittal)