Sub: Exemption from Railway Foundation Course for Probationers of Group ‘A’ services of Indian Railways

As per extant Rules, probationers of various Group ‘A’ Services of Indian Railways are required to undergo the Railway Foundation Course as a part of the Probationary training at National Academy of Indian Railways (earlier known as Railway Staff College), Vadodara. At times, it so happens that a probationer of one service, who has undergone Railway Foundation Course, gets selected for another Service on the basis of CSE/ESE of a subsequent year. Since repition of the Railway Foundation Course (already undergone by the probationer as a part of earlier probationary training) would not result in any value addition to the probationer and would lead to wastage of resources, probationers on subsequent selection are exempted from repeating the same.

2. However, it has been observed that requests for such exemption are routinely processed by the CTIs and are sent to Board after the Railway Foundation Course has commenced. In a recent case, the request for exemption was received when only two weeks out of the 10 weeks of Railway Foundation Course was left.

3. The issue was examined in Board’s office. It has now been decided that CTIs should check from their records well in advance if any probationer has already undergone the Foundation Course earlier as a part of the earlier probationary training. If so, he may be exempted from repeating the same. Details of such probationers, however, may be furnished to Training Dte. for information.

4. The training marks obtained earlier for the Foundation Course may be counted for the subsequent probationary training.

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