The General Managers,
All Zonal Railways and Production Units.

The Director General,
RDSO/Lucknow.
NAIR/Vadodara.

The Directors,
IRICEN, IRIEEN, IRIMEE, IRISET, IRITM & JR RPF Academy.

**Sub:** Masters/Research Course in Japanese Universities with MEXT scholarship for Indian Railways officers.

Memorandum of Cooperation signed between the Government of Japan and Ministry of Railways provides for an opportunity for Indian Railway engineers to pursue a 2-year Study Programme (Master Degree) in the field of High Speed Rail technology and related subjects in Japanese Universities with MEXT scholarship. Applications for admission for these courses for the Academic year 2020 starting in April/October 2020 are invited from all interested and eligible officers of Indian Railways.

2. The Government of Japan is offering both Masters’ degree courses and Research course (non-degree course) under this scholarship. The detailed guidelines for application for the course, names of Universities and Laboratories who are offering these courses, the Application form, Recommendation form, Health form, form for Placement preference i.e. preference wise choice of the Universities and subjects of study to be indicated, Field of study of and study programme, Training form have been uploaded on the Railway Board Website under the link – 'I R Personnel → Training Circulars'.

3. The applicant officer should be born on or after 02nd April, 1985. The officers should be clear from Vigilance angle and there should not be any D&A case against them (pending or undergoing penalty). The officers shall have to clear the Written examinations of language proficiency and interview conducted by Japanese diplomatic missions. An eligible IR Officer may avail Study Leave for which the mandatory service length criteria has been relaxed from 05 years to 02 years for this Course. Option to avail EOL is also available to all eligible officers who are interested in pursuing this course.

4. An HSR Seminar on Master Courses in Japanese Universities will be organised at 09:30 AM on 28.02.2019 at Japan Foundation, New Delhi. During the Seminar,
presentations will be made by the Japanese authorities to give the detailed information on the HSR courses available at Japanese Universities for next session (Year 2020) as well as MEXT scholarship. Further, opportunity will be available to interact with Professors of different engineering courses from Japanese Universities. Officials who have availed this opportunity/Course so far will also come to share their experience in Japan and also to how it has benefitted them.

5. IR Officers who qualify all the eligibility criteria and find themselves satisfied with all the terms & conditions for pursuing the Courses in Japanese Universities mentioned in the detailed guidelines may send their willingness through proper channel for attending the Seminar in the enclosed proforma. Consents can also be sent through mail to Training Dte/Railway Board on the mail-ID: mtechinjapan@gmail.com and should reach latest by 22.02.2019, positively.

6. Officers should be relieved for attending the Seminar on issue of a formal invitation from the Board’s office.

(Jitendra Kumar)
Dy. Director, Estt(Trg)
Railway Board

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1) OSD(ME), OSD/M(RS), OSD/M(Tr) & OSD/DG(S&T)

2) PSO/Sr. PPS/PS for information of CRB, FC, ME, M(RS), MS, MT, M(Tr) & DG(S&T).
Proforma

On satisfying myself with all the eligibility criteria and terms & conditions mentioned in Board's letter dated 11.02.2019 and detailed guidelines for application for Master Courses in Japanese Universities, I am willing to pursue the same and shall apply for 2-year Course.

I, hereby, express my consent to attend the HSR Seminar to be held at 09:30 a.m. on 28th February, 2019 at Japan Foundation, New Delhi. My details are as below:

Name : 
Designation : 
Railway/PU : 
Date of Birth : 
Date of joining : 
Service : 
Batch : 
Aadhar No. : 
RUID No. : 
e-mail ID : 
Phone : Railway - _______________ CUG/Mob - _______________

Signature of the officer.