#### EASTERN RAILWAY Sealdah

No-E-22/325.1/Settlement/Pl. I

Date:12.01.2024

**ALL** Concerned

Sub:-Coverage under Railway Service (Pension) Rules,1993 in accordance with Board's instruction dated:10.03.2023
Ref: PCPO/E. Rly 's letter No- E.787/0/PEN/Pt.XXX dated:21.12.2023

The PCPO/KKK's letter No- E.787/0/PEN/Pt.XXX dated:21.12.2023 (PCP0's SI No.152/2023) along with Railway Board's letter no. D-43/12/2018-F(E)III dated:11.12.2023 is forwarded for information ,guidance and necessary action please. This Circular is available in the URL given.

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DA:-As above.

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Divisional Personnel Officer

For Sr. Divisional personnel Officer

Eastern Railway / Sealdah

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# PCPO's Serial No. 152/2023

## Eastern Railway

## Personnel Department

No. E.787/0/PEN/Pt.XXX

Kolkata, dated 21.12.2023

As per Standard list

Sub: Coverage under Railway Services (Pension) Rules, 1993 in accordance with Board's instructions dated 10.03.2023

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A copy of Railway Board's letter No. D-43/12/2018-F(E)III dated 11.12.2023 is sent herewith for necessary compliance and guidance.

It is clarified that if a railway servant who was otherwise eligible to exercise option in terms of Railway Board's instructions contained in the letter dated 10.03.2023 but has already died, the option exercised by the member of the family, who is eligible to receive NPS benefits on death of the Railway servant in accordance with PFRDA (Exits and Withdrawals under NPS) Regulations, may be accepted and processed in accordance with the Railway Board's instructions contained in letter dated 10.03.2023

Railway Board's instructions contained in letter dated 10.03.2023 as mentioned therein was circulated under this office Sl. No. 40/2023.

DA: As above

Dy. Ch. Personnel Officer (NG) fr. Pr. Chief Personnel Officer

Index No. 1058: Guidelines regarding coverage under RS (Pension) Rules, 1993 in place of NPS for a Railway servant who was otherwise eligible to exercise option in terms of Railway Board's instructions dated 10.03.2023 but has already died before opted for the same.

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

No. D-43/12/2018-F(E)III

New Delhi, Dated: | .12.2023.

The General Managers/Principal Financial Advisers, All Zonal Railways/Production Units etc., DGs of RDSO and NAIR.

Subject: Coverage under Railway Services (Pension) Rules, 1993 in accordance with Board's instructions dated 10.03.2023.

References have been received from Zonal Railways seeking clarifications on the admissibility of option for coverage under Railway Services (Pension) Rules, 1993 in terms of Board's instructions dated 10.03.2023 in cases of railway servants who were appointed against posts or vacancies which were advertised/notified for recruitment/ appointment prior to the notification for National Pension System i.e. 22.12.2003, but subsequently died before issue of instructions dated 10.03.2023.

2. The issue has been examined in consultation with the Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare (DoP&PW). It is clarified that if a railway servant who was otherwise eligible to exercise option in terms of instructions dated 10.03.2023, has already died, the option exercised by the member of the family, who is eligible to receive NPS benefits on death of the railway servant in accordance with PFRDA (Exits and Withdrawals under NPS) Regulations, may be accepted and processed in accordance with the instructions contained in letter dated 10.03.2023.

(Sanjay Prashar) Joint Director, Finance (Estt.)-II

Railway Board