

Eastern Railway  
(Personnel Department)

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**All Concerned.**

**Sub: Grant of Fixed Medical Allowance (FMA) to Railway Pensioners/family Pensioners- regarding.**

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Railway Board's letter No.PC-V/2010/A/Med./1 S.No.PC-VI/348 dtd.19.12.2014 (RBE No.146/2014) is forwarded for information, guidance and necessary action. Board's earlier letters, as referred to therein, dated 29.06.2010 and 01.03.2004 were circulated under this office serial numbers 85/2010 & 33/2004 respectively. Board's letter dated 19.05.99 mentioned therein is also enclosed for ready reference.

  
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Board's letter No. PC-V/2010/A/Med./1 S.No.PC-VI/348 dtd.07.07.2014 (RBE No.146/2014) addressed to GMs', All Indian Railways and others.

**Sub: Grant of Fixed Medical Allowance (FMA) to Railway Pensioners/family Pensioners- regarding.**

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At present Fixed Medical Allowance is granted to the Railway pensioners/family pensioners residing in areas beyond 2.5 Kms of Railway Hospital/Health Unit for meeting expenditure on their day-to-day medical expenses that do not require hospitalization. Orders were issued vide Board's letter of even number dated 29.06.2010 (RBE No.92/2010) for enhancement of the amount of Fixed Medical Allowance from Rs.100/- to 300/-p.m. w.e.f.01.09.2008.

2. In this connection, Department of Pension & Pensioners Welfare (DoP & PW), the nodal department on the subject, have advised vide their O.M.No.4/25/2008-P&PW (D), dated 19.11.2014 that the demand for enhancement of Fixed Medical Allowance has been under consideration of the Government for some time past and the amount of Fixed Medical Allowance has been enhanced from Rs.300/- to 500/- per month, subject to the fulfillment of the conditions that (i) pensioners should be raising beyond 2.5 Kms from the nearest health unit and (ii) the pensioner should not availing the OPD facility (except in case of chronic disease). The other conditions for grant of Fixed Medical allowance shall continue to be as contained in Board's letter no. PC-V/98/1/7/1/1 dated 19.05.1999 (RBE No.109/1999) read with Board's instructions dated. 01.03. 2004.

3. These orders will take effect from 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2014 i.e. the date of issue DoP&PW's OM on the subject.

4. This issue with the concurrence of the Finance Directorate of the Ministry of Railways.

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**Index No.1049:** The amount of Fixed Medical Allowance has been enhanced from Rs.300/- to 500/- per month w.e.f. 19/11/2014.

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**Copy of Board's letter No.PC-V/98/1/7/1/1 dated 19.05.1999 (RBE No.109/99)**

**Sub:** Implementation of Government's decision on the recommendation of the 5<sup>th</sup> Central Pay Commission – grant of fixed medical allowance @ Rs.100 p.m. to the Railway pensioners/family pensioners.

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With reference to orders issued by the Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare on the recommendations of the V Central pay Commission regarding grant of Medical Allowance of Rs.100/- per month to Pensioners/Family Pensioners, the matter of granting similar benefits to Pensioners/Family Pensioners has been considered by the Ministry of Railways and with the approval of the President necessary orders have been issued for granting similar benefit to Railway Pensioners/Family Pensioners.

In this connection, copies of the orders issued vide letter of even number dated 21.04.99 (RBE No.65/99) (pertaining to Railway Pensioners/Family Pensioners governed under Central Government Health Care Scheme of the Ministry of Railways) and letter of even number dated 29.04.99 (RBE 85/99) (pertaining to Railway Pensioners/Family Pensioners governed under Central Government Health Care Scheme) are enclosed for distribution to the Pension Payment offices for necessary action.

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N.B.: Board's RBE Nos. 65/99 & 85/99 was circulated under this office serial numbers 89/99 & 91/99 respectively.

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