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Kolkata, Dated: 19/12/2016

ALL CONCERNED

(As per the standard List)

Sub: Pensionary benefits of medically decategorised running staff who opt for voluntary retirement.

Railway Board's letter No. **E(P&A)II-2004/RS-05 dated 29/11/2016 (RBE No. 137/2016)** is forwarded herewith for information and necessary action. Board's letter dated 05/10/2011, as referred, was circulated under this office serial no.119/2011.


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Copy of Board's letter No. **E(P&A)II-2004/RS-05 dated 29/11/2016 (RBE No. 137/2016)** addressed to the GM(p)s/CAOs All Indian Railways & PUs.

Sub: Pensionary benefits of medically decategorised running staff who opt for voluntary retirement.

Ref: Board's letter No.E(NG)I-2009/RE-3/9 dated 05-10-2011

Vide DC/JCM item no. 25/2004. PNM/NFIR Item No.8/2015 and PNM/ AIRF Item No. 46/2012, recognised staff Federations have demanded that 55% of Pay Element be reckoned for computing retirement benefit for those running staff who have been medically decategorised and decide to take Voluntary Retirement instead of opting for redeployment in an alternative stationary post.

2. The issue has been examined in Board's office and it is observed that the issue is governed under the provisions contained in Board's letter referred to above. To address the specific aspect brought out by Federations, it has been decided that whenever a medically decategorised running staff governed by RS(PR)1993, who has rendered the prescribed qualifying service, opts for Voluntary Retirement either on his own or within a period of one month from the date of offer of the first alternative post, his pension may be computed with addition of 55% Pay Element. This 55% benefit will be reckoned after deducting the 30% Pay Element fixation benefit if granted already as per Board's letter dated 05-10-2011 referred to above.

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3. In case such staff does not give option of Voluntary Retirement within the outer limit period of one month specified herein above, it will be deemed that the staff has accepted the alternative appointment offered and in this case, retirement benefits will be governed by extant instruction on the issue whenever he superannuates or opts for Voluntary Retirement thereafter.
4. The period of one month to opt for Voluntary Retirement for those medically decategorised running staff who have already been offered the alternative posts, will start from the date of issue of this letter.
5. The above clarification shall take effect from the date of issue of this letter.
6. This issues with the concurrence of the Finance Directorate of the Ministry of Railways.
7. Please acknowledge receipt.

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Director/Pay Commission,
Railway Board

Index No.1049: Henceforth, benefit of 55% Pay Element for computing retirement benefit on Voluntary Retirement will be admissible to those medically decategorised running staff who opt for VR either on his own or within a period of one month from the date of offer of the first alternative post.