

Eastern Railway

Serial Circular No. 48/2018

No. CPO/PB/Misc/RB/Salary

Kolkata, dated 12.03.2018.

Divisional Railway Managers
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Eastern Railway
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CSTE/Project, CAO/CON, CE/Survey,
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SEN/Welding, SMMs(D)/HWH, HLR, JMP,
APO (Bill), ASC/LLH, RCT/Kolkata, ASTE/Micro Wave,
CHI/FP & NKG, SSE (W)/FP & NKG.

Sub: Fraud in Salary Bills in Delhi Division, Northern Railway.

A copy of Railway Board's letter No. 2018/AC-II/25/1 dtd. 27.02.2018 (RBA No.14/2018) addressed to GMs of all Zonal Railways/PUs, CAOs/COFMOW & DLMW is forwarded herewith (overleaf) for information, guidance and compliance.

It is, therefore, requested to conduct scrutiny of Pay roll records from the year 2016 onwards preferably on those employees where abnormal claim of TA, OTA, NDA and arrear is noticed so that possibility of similar frauds may be avoided. It is also requested to submit a report as directed by Rly. Board in Para-4 of the above letter to this office immediately so that a consolidated reply can be sent to Railway Board within the stipulated time.

DA: As above (overleaf).

U. Lahiri
12/3/18
(U. Lahiri)

Dy. Chief Personnel Officer/R
for Principal Chief Personnel Officer

*Copy to Principal Financial Adviser, Eastern Railway, Kolkata
for information.*

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

RBA No. 14/2018

No.2018/AC-II/25/1

New Delhi,

Dated 27.02.2018

**General Managers,
All Zonal Railways/PUs,
CAOs/COFMOW & DLMW**

Sub: Fraud in Salary Bills in Delhi Division, Northern Railway.

A fraud by manipulation of Pay Roll Computerised System purportedly by creating Ghost employees and false claims of Travelling Allowance, Overtime Allowance, Night Duty Allowance and arrear has been brought to the notice of this Ministry by Northern Railway. In its preliminary report, Railway has reported loss to Government Exchequer amounting approximately Rs.1.5 Crore on scrutiny of Pay roll records for the years 2016 & 2017. Railway in its preliminary investigation has exposed nexus between Bill Clerk of Personnel Department and the beneficiaries, all working as Pointsman. The beneficiaries had their bank account in the same bank branch in which Bill Clerk was also having account. Apparently the prescribed codal provisions for passing of the bills have also not been followed by the concerned officials in this case.

Though final report is yet to be received from Railway, the Board (MS & FC) has taken a view that the fraud in Salary Bill reported by Northern Railway may be brought to the notice of Railways/Production Units/RDSO etc. to conduct scrutiny of Pay roll records from the year 2016 onwards to obviate possibility of similar frauds. The emphasis of scrutiny should be particularly on those employees where abnormal claim of TA, OTA, NDA and arrear is noticed.

It may also be ensured that the codal provisions with regard to check of establishment charges and also Board's instructions issued vide letter no. 2002/AC-II/25/3 dated 15.11.2002 on check list for passing of establishment bills for strengthening of bill checking system are rigorously followed. Further information related to modus operandi will be shared with Zonal Railways/PUs on receipt of final investigation report from Northern Railway.

It is requested that preliminary status report of the system prevailing on your railway/unit and short comings related thereto, including short comings in Pay roll module of IPAS, if any, may be reported to Board within a fortnight.

(Anjali Goyal)
Principal Executive Director (Accounts)
Railway Board.

Copy for information and necessary action to:-

1. Principal Financial Advisers, All Zonal Railways/PUs.
2. Principal Chief Personnel Officers, All Zonal Railways/PUs.

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