

Eastern Railway

No. E.787/O/PEN/Pt.XXIX.

Kolkata, dated 21.02.2020.

ALL CONCERNED

**Sub:-Reckoning of Charge Allowance for the purpose of revision of Pension of
Pre-2016 retirees in terms of 7th CPC recommendations-reg.**

Copy of Railway Board's letter No. D-43/15/2019-F(E)III dated 30.01.2020(RBE No.14/2020) on the subject matter is sent herewith for information, guidance and necessary action. Railway Board's letters as referred to therein had been circulated vide CPO's S.L.No.78/1995,55/2017 and 167/2019 respectively.


(S.K. Chattopadhyay)

Sr. Personnel Officer (HQ)

For Pr.Chief Personnel Officer

INDEX NO. 1058: Clarification regarding reckoning of charge allowance for the purpose of revision of pension of pre-2016 retirees under VIIth CPC Award.

Copy of Railway Board's letter No. D-43/15/2019-F(E)III dated 30.01.2020(RBE No.14/2020) addressed to GMs/PFAs, all Zonal Railways & Production Units is circulated herewith.

**Sub: - Reckoning of Charge Allowance for the purpose of revision of Pension of
Pre-2016 retirees in terms of 7th CPC recommendations-reg.**

DA: As above.

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PC-VII No. 148/2020
RBE No. 14/2020

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA (BHARAT SARKAR)
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (RAIL MANTRALAYA)
(RAILWAY BOARD)

No. D-43/15/2019-F(E)III

New Delhi, dated: 30.01.2020.

The General Managers/Principal Financial Advisors,
All Zonal Railways/Production Units.

Sub: Reckoning of Charge Allowance for the purpose of revision of Pension of Pre-2016 retirees in terms of 7th CPC recommendations – reg.

Consequent upon the recommendations of 7th CPC, instructions were issued vide Board's letters No.2016/F(E)III/1(1)/7 dated 10.08.2016 and 22.05.2017, regarding revision of pension/family pension of pre-2016 pensioners/family pensioners. A number of references have been received in this office for reckoning of Charge Allowance for the purpose of notional fixation of pay and accordingly revision of pension w.e.f. 01.01.2016.

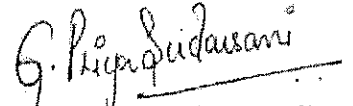
2. The true nature of charge allowance was earlier considered by the Board and it was decided that the charge allowance, which is actually in the nature of pay restricted under FR-35, should be reckoned as 'Pay' as defined in Rule 1303(FR-9)(21)(a)(i) R-II/6th Edition and as such, it would count as pay for the purposes of pension, gratuity etc, as well as for leave encashment. Accordingly, instructions were issued vide letter No. F(E)III/94/PN1/26 dated 23.06.1995.

3. The issue has again been examined in Board keeping in view the earlier decision on charge allowance cited in para 2 above and it has been decided as follows:-

- (i) Since, Board had already decided to treat the charge allowance as pay restricted under FR-35 and to reckon it as emoluments for pensionary benefits vide letter dated 23.06.1995, the charge allowance may be taken into account for notional fixation of pay for the purpose of revision of pension/family pension of pre-2016 retirees w.e.f. 01.01.2016 in terms of first formulation as conveyed by Board's letter No. 2016/F(E)III/1(1)/7 dated 22.05.2017.
- (ii) Pay fixed in terms of Board's letter No. PC-VII/2017/II/7/5/8 dated 08.08.2019 w.e.f. 01.07.2017 may also be treated as emoluments in terms of Rule 49 of the Railway Services (Pension) Rules, 1993 for the purpose of fixation of pension.

- (iii) Since, Charge Allowance may have been paid w.e.f. 01.01.2016 to 30.06.2017 at old rates which was admissible before 2016, the same may be reckoned for calculation of retirement benefits of employees who retired between the periods from 01.01.2016 to 30.06.2017.

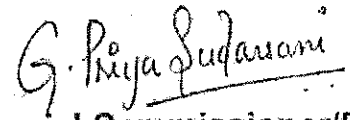
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(G. Priya Sudarsani)
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Railway Board.

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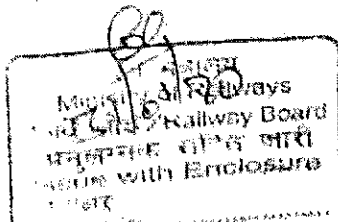
Copy to Deputy Comptroller and Auditor General of India (Railways), Room No. 224, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.


For Financial Commissioner/Railways.

No. D-43/15/2019-F(E)III

New Delhi, dated: 30.01.2020.

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For Secretary/Railway Board.