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Dear Shri Shahabuddin,

Kindly refer to your letter dated 8.9.1986 regarding rules governing promotion and transfer of railway employees. In the earlier correspondence on the subject, the position regarding transfer of employees on Railways had been explained in some detail.

2. I may mention here that broadly stated, the liability for transfer of Group 'D' (Class IV) employees on Railways is normally limited to the Division on which they are employed. Similar is the case with Group 'C' (Class III) employees in the lower grades.

3. When, however, Group 'C' employees move to higher grades, they become transferable to other Divisions also but within the same Zonal Railway. The arrangement in this regard varies from Railway to Railway, depending upon the extent to which the control of cadres has been decentralised.

4. Notwithstanding these arrangements, the rules empower a competent authority to transfer railway employees even beyond the seniority unit to which they belong, in the exigencies of service. The position indicated in the earlier correspondence refers mainly to transfer in the normal course. You will perhaps appreciate the need for the Administration to reserve the right in public interest in the exigencies of service to transfer an employee even beyond the limits to which his liability for transfer is normally confined.

I hope this clarifies the position.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

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