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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(RAILWAY BOARD)

C.S. Sharma,
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D.O.No.98 ACII 21/3

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Sub: Payment of salary through cheques.

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Board's directions already exist vide Kansal, the then Adviser (Finance)'s D.O. letter No.88-ACII 21/35 Pt.II dated 22.6.92 (copy enclosed) for implementation of payment of salaries to gazetted and supervisory staff through cheques. A review of the present status in various zonal railways has revealed that even after 5 years of issue of Board's orders, all the supervisory staff are yet to be covered under the system of payment through cheques.

With the implementation of the recommendations of the Vth Pay Commission, it is assessed that the total cash handling for the payment of salaries has increased by 20 to 25%. Arranging this amount of additional cash is not only difficult for the administrative point of view but entails significant amount of security risk, especially at remote areas both for the cashiers as well as for the staff.

Dialogue with a number of public sector banks have revealed that they would be willing to extend their support for payment of salaries to Railwaymen by Cheque, after opening extension counters at Railway premises. They are also willing to give certain incentives to the staff which will make the scheme attractive to railway employees.

It is, therefore, requested that in terms of Board's decision already on the subject action should be taken to cover gazetted and supervisory staff under the system of payment of salaries through cheques from April. 98 and motivate other staff to accept salaries through cheques to the extent possible.

Encl:As above.

Yours sincerely,

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