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MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS/RAIL MANTRALAYA
(RAILWAY BOARD)

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New Delhi, date: 27.05.98

The GMs/OSDs/CAOs etc.
All India Railways & Production Units,
(As per Mailing List)

Subject: Recommendation of the Pay Commission - decisions of the Government relating to grant of Transport Allowance to Railway Servants.

Orders in regard to grant of Transport Allowance to Railway employees were issued vide Railway Board letter of even number dated 16.12.1997. Representations have subsequently been received from recognised federations, representing staff and officers, pointing out instances of hardships caused by certain provisions contained in the orders referred to above. Some of the zonal Railways and production units have also pointed out difficulties in implementation of the orders.

2. The matter has accordingly been considered carefully in the Ministry of Railways and it has been decided to effect the following amendments in the orders dated 16.12.1997:-

(a) Below the existing Note 2 appearing under para 2(ii), the following may be added:-

"Transport Allowance will, however, be admissible to such staff if they are also eligible for grant of HRA under orders issued by the Board vide letter No.E(P&A)II/87/HRA/15 dated 16.05.1988 as amended from time to time."

(b) The existing Note 3 below para 2(ii) will be substituted by the following:-

"In case of employees who are presently availing the facility of Residential Card Passes of any type (including for spouse and children, children's school RCP etc.), the grant of Transport Allowance will be independent of the benefit of Family Card Passes and Children's School Passes. However, the employee will have to exercise an option whether to avail of the facility of Transport Allowance or the facility of Residential Card Pass for self / Metal pass for non-official duties on notified suburban sections".

(c) The existing Note 6 below para 2(ii) will stand deleted.

3. The Board have also decided that provisions contained in para 2102(v)(d)(i) of Indian Railway Establishment Manual Volume-II related to payment of conveyance hire charges shall continue to apply in the case of staff opting to avail the facility of transport allowance.

4. This issues with the concurrence of the Finance Directorate of the Ministry Railways.

5. Hindi version will follow.

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Director Pay Commission
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