

मध्य रेल



मंडल रेल प्रबंधक का कार्यालय
कार्मिक शाखा, सोलापुर
दिनांक: 01/04/2024

सं.: SUR/P/Gen/Cir./2024

परिपत्र सं.032/2024

सभी सम्बंधित : सोलापुर मंडल

सभी शाखा अधिकारी : सोलापुर मंडल

Sub: Coverage under Railway services (pension) Rules 1993, in place of National Pension System, of those employees who were selected for the job linked VCRC course in the year 2002.

उपर्युक्त विषय पर मुख्यालय कार्यालय का पत्रांक CR-HQ0PERS(PUMR)/13/2023 दिनांक 11/03/2024, पत्रांक CR-HQ0PERS/156/2020/39304 दिनांक 23/02/2024 तथा रेलवे बोर्ड का पत्रांक E(G)2023/PN1/33 दिनांक 01/02/2024 आपके सूचनार्थ एवं आवश्यक कार्यार्थ परिपत्रित की जाती है।

उपरोक्त परिपत्र सोलापुर मंडल की वेबसाइट: www.cr.indianrailways.gov.in पर अपलोड किया गया है, इस प्रकार से विजिट कर About us > Divisions > Solapur > Personnel > Circular सेक्शन में देखें।

अनुलग्नक : यथोक्त।

कृते मंडल रेल प्रबंधक(कार्मिक)
सोलापुर

प्रतिलिपि :

DRM, ADRM सोलापुर, कृपया सूचनार्थ।

मंडल सचिव: CRMS/NRMU/AIOBCA/AISCSTA सोलापुर, कृपया सूचनार्थ।

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मध्य रेलवे/CENTRAL RAILWAY

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दिनांक 11-03-2024

As per mailing list No.1

विषय: Coverage under Railway services (pension) Rules 1993, in place of National Pension System, of those employees who were selected for the job linked VCRC course in the year 2002.

1. Copy of (T&C) letter No. CR-HQ0PERS/156/2020/39304 dated 23-02-2024 along with Board's clarification letter No.E(G)2023/PN1/33 dated 01-02-2024 in connection with the above is enclosed herewith for information and necessary action.

DA: As above.

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Ramchandani

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(Ashok Ramchandani)

APO (Ruling/Court)

As per mailing list No.2

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No. CR-HQ0PERS/156/2020/39304

Date: 23.02.2024

APO(Legal & Ruling)

Sub: Coverage under Railway services (pension) Rules 1993, in place of National Pension System, of those employees who were selected for the job linked VCRC course in the year 2002.

Ref: Railway Board's letter No. E (G) 2023/PN1/33 dated 01.02.2024.

A copy of Board's clarification dated 01.02.2024 issued on this office letter dated 18.10.2023 on the above mentioned subject is sent herewith for circulation to all divisions/units of this Railway.

DA : As above

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S Ramteke

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(B. S. Ramteke)**Asst. Personnel Officer (T&C)****/- Principal Chief Personnel Officer**

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(RAILWAY BOARD)

No. E(G)2023/PN1/33

New Delhi, dt: 01.02.2024

The General Manager(P),
Central Railway,
Mumbai.

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(Kind Attn: Ms. Vinita Verma, CPO)

Sub: Coverage under Railway Services (Pension) Rules, 1993 in place of National Pension System of those Railway employee who were selected for the job linked VCRC Course in the year 2002.

Ref: Central Railway's letter No. CR-HQOPERS/156/2020/39304 dated 18.10.2023.

The issue raised by Central Railway vide letter under reference has been examined in consultation with Finance Directorate of Board's office who have advised that in the case of VCRC Course, no notification for the appointment is issued. Therefore, they cannot be given the benefit of instructions issued vide Board's letter dated 10.03.2023.

[Signature]
(M. P. Moena)
Dy. Director, Estt.(G)III
Railway Board

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No. CR-HQ0PERS/156/2020/39304

Date: 18.10.2023

The Executive Director, Estt.(N),
Ministry of Railways,
Railway Board,
New Delhi.

Sub: Coverage under Railway services (pension) Rules 1993, in place of National Pension System, of those employees who were selected for the job linked VCRC course in the year 2002.

Ref: I) Railway Board's RBE No. 28/2020 dated 03.03.2020 & RBE NO. 41/23 dated 10.03.2023.
II) PCPO/Central Railway's letter No.P/CR/HQ/EC/Pension/NPS/673 dated 22.10.2020.

In terms of Office Memorandum dated 17.02.2020, issued by the Department of Pension & Pensioner's Welfare (DOP & PWs) circulated vide RBE No.28/2020, all the candidates, whose result for recruitment were declared before 01.01.2004 against vacancies occurred on or before 31.12.2003 shall be eligible for coverage under the CCS (Pension) Rules 1972. They can exercise option to switch over to the pension scheme under CCS(Pension) Rules 1972. Further the instructions are modified by the Department of Pension & Pensioner's vide office Memorandum dated 10.03.2023 circulated vide RBE No.41/23 dated 10.03.2023. According to the modified instructions, an employee, who has been appointed against a post or vacancy which advertised/notified for recruitment/appointment, prior to the date of notification for NPS i.e 22.12.2003, may be given a one-time option to switch over to Railway services (pension) Rules 1993.

Many employees of Comml. Dept., who were selected for 2 years VCRC course in the year 2002 & after successful completion of 2 years VCRC course i.e two years study (XI & XII), joined Commercial dept. as CC/TC in the year 2004, have submitted their applications to grant them the benefit of option to switch over from National Pension Scheme to Railway Services (Pension) Rules 1993. In their applications they have mentioned that their selection for the job linked VCRC course was finalized in the year 2002 by RRBs & also their documents verification & medical, were done before 31.12.2003, hence they are eligible to submit option under the above mentioned scheme.

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In this regard it is mentioned that the VCRC course has been primarily introduced vide RBE No. 125/1992, from the academic year 1991- 92 to 1992-93 in nine schools, one at the Headquarters of each of the Zonal Railways.

The selected candidates for the VCRC course were required to appear XI & XII exam through CBSE Board with the subject Railway Commercial working. After passing the XII std examination with the requisite percentage, these candidates were considered for appointment in Railway Comml. Dept as TC or CC subject to passing the prescribed medical examination. In this letter it was mentioned that vacancies to be reserved for absorption of these candidates every year. These applicants were not selected as Trainee or Apprentice by RRB for a particular post but as a student for the job linked 2 years VCRC course. They were not receiving any stipend during the course of study. Only after successful completion of VCRC course they were appointed in Comml. Dept. They have to clear the XII exam within the prescribed attempts. The scheme of VCRC has since been discontinued vide Railway Board's letter No. E(W)96ED1-13 dtd 04.03.2005.

In the year 2020, a reference on this issue was made by this Railway vide letter dated 22.10.2020(copy enclosed). However, Board has not issued any guidelines in this regard. It is pertinent to mention that this Railway has not extended the benefit to switch over Railway Services (Pension) Rules 1993 from NPS to these employees, who were selected for the VCRC course in the year 2002 & appointed as TC/ CC in the year 2004 & thereafter.

Board are, therefore, requested to kindly issue guidelines, whether selection of the applicants for the job linked VCRC course by RRB prior to 01.01.2004, can make the employees eligible to avail the benefit of RBE No. 41/23 dated 10.03.2023 and submit option to switch over to the Railway services (pension) Rules 1993 from National Pension System or otherwise.

DA: As above

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