

WESTERN RAILWAY

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To,  
All DRMs / CWMs & Units Incharge,  
C/- Genl. Secy., WREU-GTR / WRMS-BCT.  
C/- GS-All India SC/ST Rly Employees. Assn,'W' Zone, Mumbai  
C/- GS-All India OBC Rly Empl. Assn, Mumbai.

Sub : Complimentary Card Passes issued to Chakra Awardees.  
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A copy of Railway Board's letter No. E(W)2004/PS 5-6/65 dated 6.7.2012 (R.B.E.No.79/2012), is sent herewith for information, guidance and necessary action.

Encl: As above.



( U V Patel )  
For General Manager(E)

RBE No. 79/2012

**भारत सरकार Government of India**  
**रेल मंत्रालय Ministry of Railways**  
**रेलवे बोर्ड (Railway Board)**

No. E(W)2004/PS 5-6/65

New Delhi, Dated: 06-07-2012

The General Managers (P),  
All Zonal Railways.

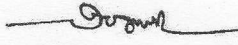
**Sub: Complimentary Card Passes issued to Chakra Awardees.**

As per extant policy, Ministry of Railways provides 1<sup>st</sup> Class/2<sup>nd</sup> AC Complimentary Card passes to Defence personnel recipients of gallantry awards of Chakra series and to widows of posthumous gallantry awardees of Chakra series viz. Param Vir Chakra, Maha Vir Chakra, Vir Chakra, Ashok Chakra, Kirti Chakra and Shaurya Chakra. The aforesaid Card pass entitles them life-long free rail travel in 1<sup>st</sup> Class/2<sup>nd</sup> AC Class along with one companion in same class over all Indian Railways except Metro Railway/Kolkata. The aforesaid policy was notified in terms of Railway Board's letters No.E(W)96/PS5-6/22 dated 23-02-1996 and 04-07-1996 followed by subsequent amendments/clarifications.

2. Since Chakra awards are granted to Civilians also besides the Defence personnel, Civilian recipients of Chakra awards have long been demanding the facility of Complimentary Card passes as granted to Defence personnel. The aforesaid demand has been considered by Ministry of Railways and it has now been decided that the Civilian recipients of Chakra awards shall also be provided 1<sup>st</sup> Class/2<sup>nd</sup> AC Complimentary Card passes on the same lines as admissible to Defence awardees. The procedure and other conditions for issue of such Card passes to Civilian Chakra awardees shall remain the same.

3. This issues with the concurrence of the Finance Directorate of Ministry of Railways and is in supersession of Railway Board's letter No.E(W)96/PS 5-6/22 dated 23-12-1998.

Kindly acknowledge receipt.

  
(Debasis Mazumdar)  
Director Establishment (Welfare),  
Railway Board.