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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: Children Education Allowaqnce/ Hostel Subsidy - Clarification.

A copy of Railway Board's letter No. E(W)2008/ED- 2/4 dt.31.08.2012 (R.B.E.No.93/2012 PC VI No.298/2012) is sent herewith for information, guidance and necessary action.

Encl: As above.

259, 4 9 2012. (S. Kademani)

For General Manager(E)

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

No.E(W)2008/ED-2/4

New Delhi, Dated: 31-08-2012

The General Manager (P), All Indian Railways & PUs.

Sub: Children Education Allowance/Hostel Subsidy -Clarification.

Please refer to Railway Board's letter of even number dated 01.10.2008. followed by subsequent letters regarding revised policy instructions / clarifications on Children Education Allowance/Hostel Subsidy admissible to Railway Servants, based on the recommendations of Sixth Central Pay Commission.

- Further clarifications in the matter of reimbursement of Children Education Allowance/Hostel Subsidy, have been issued by Department of Personnel & Training, the nodal Department, vide their OMs No. 12011/07/2011-Estt. (AL) dated 23-05-2012 and 31-05-2012. The O.M. dated 23-05-2012 provides for reimbursement of fee charged by the school for teaching through audio-visual tools being covered under provision 1 (e) of DOP&T O.M. dated 02-09-2008, circulated under Railway Board's letter of even number dated 01-10-2008.
- 3. Department of Personnel & Training's O.M. dated 31-05-2012 introduces the concept of distance between the residence and the hostel for reimbursement of Hostel Subsidy subject to fulfilling other conditions as laid down in their OMs dated 02-09-2008 and subsequent instructions thereon. It also provides for reimbursement of Children Education Allowance/Hostel Subsidy for the initial two year Diploma/Certificate Course from Polytechnic/ITI/Engineering College after Class X.
- 4. Above mentioned two OMs dated 23-05-2012 and 31-05-2012 of DOP&T are circulated as Annexure I & Annexure II for guidance of all concerned.

Please acknowledge receipt.

(Debasis Mazumdar) Director Estt.(Welfare) Railway Board

Encl: As above.

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No.12011/07/2011-Estt.(AL) Government of India Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pension Department of Personnel & Training

New Delhi, May 31, 2012

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Children Education Allowance/Hostel Subsidy - Clarification -

Subsequent to clarifications issued vide O.M. No.12011/3/2008-Estt.(Allowance) dated 11.11.2008 and O.M. No.12011/08/2010-Estt.(AL) dated 30.12.2010, on the captioned subject, references have been received on (i) definition of the term "station" and (ii) admissibility of Hostel Subsidy and Children Education Allowance in respect of children pursuing diploma/certificate courses from Polytechnic/ITI/Engineering College, after passing 10th standard.

- After due consideration of the references in consultation with the Department of Expenditure, the following has been decided:
- The term Hostel Subsidy would mean expenses incurred by the Government servant if he/she keeps his/her children in a hostel of a residential school/institution located beyond a distance of 50 kilometres from his/her residence. The reimbursement would be subject to other conditions laid down in the O.M. dated 2.9.2008 and subsequent instructions issued from time to It is further clarified that grant of hostel subsidy is not related to transfer liability of the Government servant.
- To allow reimbursement of Children Education Allowance/Hostel Subsidy for the initial two years of a diploma/certificate course from Polytechnic/ITI/Engineering College, if the child pursues the course after passing 10th standard and the Government servant has not been granted CEA/Hostel Subsidy in respect of the child for studies in 11th and 12th standards. This is further subject to fulfilment of other conditions laid down in the O.M. dated 2.9.2008 and subsequent instructions issued from time to time.
 - This comes into effect from the current academic year.

Hindi version will follow.

Director

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All Members of Staff Side of the National Council of JCM/Departmental Council.

7. Railway Board, New Delhi. NIC, Department of Personnel & Training with the request to upload the O.M. on the website.

No.12011/07/2011-Estt.(AL) Government of India Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions (Department of Personnel & Training)

New Delhi, Dated 23rd May, 2012.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Children Education Allowance/Hostel Subsidy-Clarification-

The undersigned is directed to refer to Department of Personnel & Training's O.M.No.12011/03/2008-Estt.(AL) dated 2nd September, 2008 and subsequent clarification No.12011/08/2010-Estt.(AL) dated 30th December, 2010 on the above subject and to say that this Department has been receiving various references seeking clarification whether fee charged by schools for teaching through audio-visual aids can be reimbursed. It is clarified that fee paid to the school for the use of any aid or appliances by the child is reimbursable. Hence, if fee is charged by the school for teaching through audio-visual tools, the same is reimbursable as "fee" mentioned in para 1(e) of the O.M. mentioned above.

> (Vibha G. Mishra) Director

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