WESTERN RAILWAY

P.S.No.88/2012

Headquarter Office, Churchgate, Mumbai-20

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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: Grant of 30% HRA to staff working at Vasai-Virar Municipal Corporation at par with the staff working in Greater Mumbai.

A copy of Railway Board's letter No. E(P&A)II-2012/HRA-8 dt.30.08.2012 is sent herewith for information, guidance and necessary action.

Encl: As above.

(S. Kademani) Dy.CPO(HRD)

27/24/9/2012.

For General Manager(E)

भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA रैल मंत्रालय MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (रेलवे बोर्ड RAILWAY BOARD)

No.E(P&A)II-2012/HRA-8

New Delhi, dated 30-8-2012

The General Secretary, NFIR
3 Chelmsford Road, New Delhi-110655

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Please refer to your office letter No. 1/5 (c) dt. 07.05.2012 on the above subject.

In this regard, it is stated that admissibility of HRA and the rates thereof are decided by the Ministry of Finance which is the nodal Ministry for the Rules on HRA and therefore Ministry of Railways adopts the Rules/Instructions issued by the Ministry of Finance. After the Sixth CPC recommendations Board have issued latest instructions on HRA vide letter No. E(P&A)II-2008/HRA-10 dt. 12.9.2008. It may be seen from the annexure to the letter that Vasai-Virar are neither mentioned in the list of cities classified as 'X' nor in the list of cities classified 'Y', therefore it stands classified as 'Z' class city.

Regarding the analogy of the special dispensation given to New Bombay area vide Board's letter dt. 24.9.1982 it is stated that Ministry of Finance had themselves issued instructions to this effect vide their Office Memorandum No. 111013/2/81-F-II(B) dt. 3.8.1982. Ministry of Railways have only adopted the provisions contained in this OM dt. 3.8.82 vide letter No. E(P&A)II-2008/HRA-10 dt. 12.9.2008.

Yours faithfully,

for Secretary/Ranway Board.