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

No. D-43/12/2018-F(E)III

New Delhi, dated: 3.04.2021.

The GMs/Principal Financial Advisors, All Zonal Railways/Production Units etc., (As per mailing list)

> Sub:- Coverage under Railway Services (Pension) Rules, 1993, in place of National Pension System, of those Railway employees whose selection for appointment was finalized before 01.01.2004 but who joined Railway service on or after 01.01.2004 - regarding.

A copy of Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare (DOP&PW)'s O.M. No.57/04/2019-P&PW(B) dated 31st March, 2021 is enclosed for information and guidance. These instructions shall apply mutatis mutandis on the Railways also. The Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 1972 correspond to the Railway Services (Pension) Rules, 1993. DOP&PW's instructions No. 57/04/2019-P&PW(B) dated 17.02.2020, mentioned in the DOP&PW's O.M. dated 31.03.2021, were circulated on Railways vide this office's letter of even number dated 03.03.2020.

The Accounting procedure with respect to para 9 of DOP&PW's O.M. dated 2. 17.02.2020, adopted on Railways vide letter of even number dated 03.03.2020, has been prescribed vide Board's letter No. 2020/AC-II/21/7 dated 18.09.2020 read with letter dated 12.10.2020.

(Vikas Makhijani)

Deputy Director, Finance (Estt.)II.

Railway Board.

D.A.: As above

No. D-43/12/2018-F(E)III

New Delhi, dated: 7.04.2021

Copy to Deputy Comptroller and Auditor General of India (Railways), Room No.222, Rail Bhavan, New Delhi,

For Member Finance/Railways

No. D-43/12/2018-F(E)III

New Delhi, dated:07.04.2021

Copy to:-

- 1. The General Secretary, NFIR, Room No. 256-E, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 2. The General Secretary, AIRF, Room No. 253, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 3. The Members of the National Council, Departmental Council and Secretary Staff Side, National Council, 13-C, Feroz Shah Road, New Delhi.
- 4. The Secretary General, FROA, Room No. 256-A, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 5. The Secretary, RBSS, Group 'A' Officers Association, Rail Bhawan.
- 6. The Secretary, RBSS, Group 'B' Officers Association.
- 7. The General Secretary, RBSSSA, Room No. 451-A, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 8. The Secretary General, IRPOF, Room No. 268, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 9. The Secretary, Railway Board Ministerial Staff Association.
- 10. The Secretary, Railway Board Class IV staff Association.
- 11. The Secretary General, All India RPF Association, Room No. 256-D, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 12. The Secretary, Railway Board Promottee Officers Association, Room No.341-C, Rail Bhawan.
- 13. The General Secretary, All India SC/ST Railway Employees Association, Room No. 7, Ground Floor, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi
- 14. The General Secretary, All India O.B.C. Railway Employee's Federation (AIOBCREF), Room No.48, Rail Bhawan.

For Secretary, Railway Board.

No. D-43/12/2018-F(E)III

New Delhi, dated: \$\mathcal{7}\$.04.2021

Copy to:- EDPG to MR, EDPG to MoS(R), EDPG-II to MoS(R), APS to MoS(R)

PSOs/Sr.PPSs/PPSs/PSs to Chairman & CEO, Railway Board, Member Finance (Railways), Member Operations & Business Development (O&BD), Member Infra, Member Traction and Rolling Stock, Secretary, Railway Board.

DG(RHS), DG(RPF), DG/HR.

All additional Members, Principal Executive Directors, All Executive Directors, IG/RPSF, JS, JS(G), JS(E), JS(E)-II, JS(G)-II/Railway Board.

Copy to Section's Yearly Guard File.

No. D-43/12/2018-F(E)III

New Delhi, dated:07.04.2021

Copy to :-

- 1. The Director General and Ex Officio General Manager, RDSO/Lucknow.
- 2. The General Manager and FA&CAO, Metro Railway/Kolkata
- 3. The Director General, National Academy of Indian Railways (NAIR)/ Vadodara
- 4. The General Manager, Modern Coach Factory, Lala Ganj, Raebareli, U.P.-229120.
- 5. The Director, IRICEN/Pune, IRIEEN/Nasik Road. IRIMEE/Jamalpur, IRISET/Secunderabad
- 6. The CMDs, IRCON, IRFC, MRVC, IRC&TC, CONCOR, RITES, KRCL, RVNL. RAILTEL and Managing Director, CRIS, IRWO
- 7. The Chairman, RCC, Lok Sabha Secretariat/ New Delhi
- 8. The Chairman, RCT/Delhi
- 9. The Chairman, RRB/Ajmer, Ahmedabad, Allahabad, Bangalore, Bhopal, Bhubaneshwar, Chandigarh, Chennai, Kolkata, Jammu, Gorakhpur, Guwahati, Malda, Mumbai, Muzaffarpur, Patna, Ranchi, Secunderabad and Trivandrum.
- 10. The Pay & Accounts Officer, Ministry of Railways (Railway Board)
- 11. The Chief Commissioner of Railway Safety/ Lucknow
- 12. The Vice Chairman, Rail Land Development Authority, Near Safdarjung Railway Station, Moti Bagh-1, New Delhi 110 021
- 13. The CAO, Indian Railway Organisation for Alternate Fuels, 12th floor, Core 1, Scope Minar, District Centre, Laxmi Nagar, Delhi -92.

(Copy to Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare(DOP&PW) with respect to their O.M. No. 57/04/2019-P&PW(B) dated 31.03.2021).

No. 57/04/2019-P&PW(B) Government of India Department of Pension and PW

Lok Nayak Bhawan, Khan Market, New Delhi, the 31st March, 2021

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Coverage under Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 1972 of those Central Government employees whose selection for appointment were finalized before 01.01.2004 but joined Government service on or after 01.01.2004.

In continuation to this Department's O.M of even number dated 17.02.2020 providing one-time option to Government servants for coverage under Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 1972 in place of National Pension System who were declared successful for recruitment in the results declared on or before 31.12.2003 against vacancies occurring before 01.01.2004 and are covered under the National Pension System on joining service on or after 01.01.2004.

- 2. The said Office Memorandum provides for cut off dates for various activities involved in the process of exercising of option, deciding representations by appointing authorities and closure of NPS accounts of the concerned Government servants.
 - 3. In view of the country-wide lockdown in the country due to outbreak of Covid 19 pandemic and references received from some Ministries / Departments for extension of time schedule prescribed in the said OM, in partial modification of this Department's OM of even number dated 17.02.2020, it has been decided to extend the above cut-off dates as under:

S. No.	Activity	Last date mentioned in OM dated 17.02.2020		
1.	Exercise of option by Government servant for coverage under old pension scheme	31.05.2020	31.05.2021	
.2.	Examination and decision on the representation by the appointing authority	30.09.2020	30.09.2021	
3.	Closure of NPS accounts of Government servants on acceptance of their option	01.11.2020	01.11.2021	

- 4. There would be no change in the other terms and conditions mentioned in this Department's O.M. dated 17.02.2020.
- Hindi version will follow.

Under Secretary to the Government of India

To,

1. All Central Govt. Ministries / Departments.

2. Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, North Block, New Delhi.

C&AG, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi.

- 4. Ministry of Railways, Railway Board, for information, New Delhi.
- 5. Department of Personnel and Training, North Block, New Delhi.
- 6. Department of Financial Services, Jeevan Deep Building, Parliament Street, New Delhi.
- 7. CGA, Department of Expenditure, INA, New Delhi.
- 8. AD(OL) for Hindi version.
- 9. NIC for posting on the website of this Department.

सं. 57/04/2019-पी&पीडब्ल्यू(बी) भारत सरकार पैशन एवं पैशनभोगी कल्याण विभाग

लोक नायक भवन, खान मार्केट, नर्ड दिल्ली, दिनांक: 31 मार्च, 2021

कार्यासय शापन

विषयः मेंग्रीयः विविध सेवा (पंचन) नियमायती, 1972 के तहत ऐसे केंग्रीय संस्कारी बंधीयारियां की केंग्रेय जिनकी नियुक्ति के निए चयम दिलांक 01.01.2004 से पूर्व हो गया या परंतु सरकारी सेवा में कार्यभार दिलांक 01.01.2004 को या उसके परवात बहुण किया था।

इस विभाग के दिलांक 17 फरवरी, 2020 के समसंख्यक कार्यातय जापन के क्रम में, जिसके द्वारा ऐसे सरकारी कर्मधारी जिन्हें दिलांक 01.01.2004 से पूर्व होने वाली रिक्तियों के सापेक्ष दिलांक 31.12.2003 को या उससे पूर्व घोषित परिणामों में भर्ती के लिए सफल घोषित किया गया था, और दिलांक 01.01.2004 को या उसके बाद सेवा में कार्यभार ग्रहण करने पर राष्ट्रीय पंशन प्रणाली के तहत कवर किया गया था, उन्हें केंद्रीय सिविल सेवा (पंशन) नियमावली, 1972 के तहत कवर किए जाने के लिए एक बार का विकाय दिया गया था।

- 2. उक्त कार्यालय जापन में, विकल्प के प्रयोग, नियुक्ति प्राधिकारियों द्वारा अञ्चलदेवन तय करने और संबंधित सरकारी कर्मचारियों के एनपीएस खातों को बंद करने की प्रक्रिया में किए जाने वाले विभिन्न कार्यों के लिए कट-ऑफ की तारीखें निश्चित की गई थीं।
- 3. कोविड-19 महामारी के प्रकोप के कारण देश में देशव्यापी लॉकडाउन और उक्त कार्यालय ज्ञापन में निर्धारित समय-सीमा के विस्तार के लिए कुछ मंत्रालयाँ/विभागों से प्राप्त संदर्भों के मद्देनजर, इस विभाग के दिनांक 17.02.2020 के समसंख्यक कार्यालय ज्ञापन के आंशिक संशोधन में, उपर्युक्त कट-ऑफ तारीखों को निम्नानुसार विस्तारित करने का निर्णय लिया गया है:

क्रम सं.	कार्व	17.02.2020 के का.जा. में उल्बिक्टित अंतिम तिथि	परिश्रोधित अंतिम तिथि
1	पुरानी पंशन योजना के तहत कवरेज के लिए सरकारी कर्मचारी दवारा विकल्प का प्रयोग	31.05.2020	31.05.2021
2	नियुक्ति प्रधिकारी द्वारा अभ्यावेदन पर जांच और निर्णय	30.09.2020	30.09.2021
3	उनके विकल्प की स्वीकृति पर सरकारी सेवकों के एनपीएस खातों को बंद करना	01.11.2020	01.11.2021

4- इस विमाग के दिनांक 17.02.2020 के का.जा. में उल्लिखित अन्य नियमों और शतौं में कोई बदलाव नहीं होगा।

(एस चक्रवर्ती)

अवर सचिव, भारत सरकार

सेवा में.

- 1. केंद्र सरकार के सभी मंत्रालय/विभाग।
- 2. व्यय विभाग, वित्त मंत्रालय, नॉर्य ब्लॉक, नई दिल्ली।
- 3. नियंत्रक और महालेखा परीक्षक, बहादुर शाह जफर मार्ग, नई दिल्ली।

- 4. रेलवे बोर्ड, रेल मंत्रालय, नई दिल्ली, सूचनार्थ।
- 5. कार्मिक और प्रशिक्षण विभाग, नॉर्थ ब्लॉक, नई दिल्ली।
- 6. वित्तीय सेवाएं विभाग, जीवन दीप बिल्डिंग, संसद मार्ग, नई दिल्ली।
- 7. लेखा महानियंत्रक, व्यय विभाग, आईएनए, नई दिल्ली।
- 8. एन.आई.सी को इस विभाग की वेबसाइट पर देने हेतु।