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A copy of the Railway Board's letter No. E/MPP/2025/1/55/MSTT (E-office No. 3514650) dated 05.11.2026 on the above subject is enclosed for information, guidance and necessary action.

Railway Board's letters dated 25.09.2026 (RBE No. 77 / 2026) and 22.07.2026 (RBE No. 61 / 2026) referred therein have been circulated as PBC No.145 / 2026 and PBC No. 107 / 2026.

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No. E/MPP/2025/1/55/MSTT
(E-office no. 3514650)

New Delhi, Dated: 05.11.2026

All General Managers (P)
Zonal Railways

Sub: Merger of existing Artisan Staff Cadres of P-Way into a common cadre of Multi-Skilled Track Technician (MSTT)

Ref. Railway Board letter No. E(NG)/I/2026/PM5/2 dated 25.09.2026 (RBE 77/2026)

Vide Railway Board Letter No. E(NG)/I/2026/PM5/2 dated 25.09.2026 (RBE 77/2026), policy instructions have been issued regarding merger of existing Artisan Staff cadres of P-Way into a common cadre of Multi-Skilled Track Technician (MSTT) under the name **Technician (Track).**

2. The multi-skilled cadre of Technician (Track) will operate in four levels:

(i) Technician (Track) Grade Ill — Pay Level-2, consisting of all merged posts of P-Way Artisan Staff in Pay Level-2.

(ii) Technician (Track) Grade II— Pay Level-4, consisting of all merged posts of P-Way Artisan Staff in Pay Level-4.

(iii) Technician (Track) Grade I — Pay Level-5, consisting of all merged posts of P-Way Artisan Staff in Pay Level-5.

(iv) Senior Technician (Track) — Pay Level-6, consisting of all merged posts of P-Way Artisan Staff in Pay Level-6.

3. Technician (Track) cadre has been created in HRMS with the **cadre code 476000**. Cadre IDs & Cadre level IDs have also been created in HRMS.

4. Zonal Railways should take immediate action in implementation of the above instructions. All the artisan cadres of P-Way side of Engineering Department should be first identified with their cadre ID and Cadre level IDs. Posts tagged to these cadre IDs and Cadre level IDs need to be shifted to new cadre IDs and Cadre level IDs. Employees who are tagged to these cadre IDs and Cadre level IDs also need to be shifted to new cadre ID and Cadre level IDs. The merger exercise should be completed by **20.11.2026.**

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5. It should be ensured that similar named artisan categories (such as Welders, Blacksmiths, Carpenters, Painters, Mason, etc.) being operated in other streams of Civil Engineering Department such as Bridge, Works, etc. are **not** merged in the cadre of Technician (Track).

6. During the process of merger to the new cadre of Technician (Track), processing of IRRT / IDRT may be temporarily stopped, so that merged outgoing priority list and incoming priority list (list of existing Cadre IDs /Cadre level IDs to be merged should be provided to CRIS) can be finalized and published. Once these activities are completed by the unit, the unit should provide the revised outgoing priority list and incoming priority list to CRIS by e-mail for updation in HRMS. Thereafter, processing of transfer can be enabled. The said restriction shall, however, not be applicable to transfers under SBRT scheme circulated *vide* RBE No. 61/2026 as priority under SBRT is determined on the basis of length of service, and not on the basis of the date of application.

7. Other terms and conditions of the merger as contained in RBE No. 77/2026 will continue.

This has the approval of Competent Authority.

05/11/26

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Copy for information and necessary action to:

1. GM/HRMS/CRIS
2. PED (N), Railway Board
3. EDCE (P), Railway Board – with a request to intimate CTEs and Sr. DENs to coordinate with PCPOs and Sr.DPOs for early completion of the merger process.