

SOUTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

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PERSONNEL BRANCH SERIAL CIRCULAR No. 02/2018

Copy of Board's letter No. E(P&A)II-2017/HRA-3 dated 15.01.2018 is forwarded for information, guidance and necessary action. Board's letters dated 16.5.88, 14.2.96, 12.7.99, 16.3.2000, 16.10.2002, 9.5.2003 and 08.12.2010 quoted therein were circulated under Serial Circular Nos. 81/88, 44/96, 178/99, 80/2000, 225/02, 107/03 & 173/2010, respectively.

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Secy. to PCPO

For Principal Chief Personnel Officer

Copy of Board's ltr. No. E(P&A)II-2017/HRA-3 dated 15.01.2018 [RBE No.05/2018]

**Sub: Admissibility of House Rent Allowance in the event of non-acceptance or surrender of railway residential accommodation.**

**Ref: Board's letters No.(i) E(P&A)II-87/HRA-15 dated 16.5.1988, (ii) E(P&A)II-95/HRA-3 dated 14.2.1996, (iii) E(P&A)II-99/HRA-2 dated 12.7.1999 & 16.3.2000, (iv) E(P&A)II-2002/HRA-4 dated 16.10.2002 (v) No. E(P&A)II-2002/HRA-4 dated 9.5.2003 and (vi) No. E(P&A)II-2010/HRA-2 dated 08.12.2010.**

Attention is invited to Board's letters quoted above delegating powers to the General Managers and other heads of organisations directly controlling allotment of quarters to railway servants for sanction of House Rent Allowance in accordance with the prescribed conditions to the categories of railway employees specified therein. This delegation of powers was valid upto 31.3.2017.

2. The question of renewing this delegation of powers beyond 31.3.2017 has been engaging the attention of the Board. On the basis of the reports received from the Zonal Railways and Production Units, the matter has been considered and the Board have decided to renew the sanction contained in para 5 of their letter dated 16.5.1988 ibid and as amended/modified from time to time, **w.e.f. 1.4.2017 upto 31.3.2024** whereafter the question of renewing this delegation will be considered by the Board and a fresh sanction, if necessary, issued on the basis of reports received from the General Managers etc. directly controlling allotment of quarters, in regard to the position of availability of railway accommodation under their control.

3. In case, at any point of time it transpires that some accommodation is likely to remain vacant/un-occupied due to lack of demand, it should be made compulsory to submit applications for such types where there is surplus accommodation and consequently, the employees entitled for such types would not be eligible to draw House Rent Allowance.

4. This delegation is also subject to the over-riding condition that these orders are liable to be withdrawn/ modified at any time during this period, if it is considered necessary by the Board to do so.

5. This has the approval of the President and issues with the concurrence of the Finance Directorate of the Ministry of Railways.

Sd/-  
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The currency of instructions on delegation of powers to GM and other heads of organisations directly controlling allotment of Rly. quarters to sanction HRA in the event of non-acceptance or surrender of Rly. accommodation valid upto 31-3-2017 has been extended upto 31-3-2024.	02/2018