## SOUTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

No. P[R]75/VII

ALL CONCERNED

Headquarters Office Personnel Branch/SC Date: 0 / .0 5.2018

## PERSONNEL BRANCH SERIAL CIRCULAR No. 77/2018

Copy of Board's letter No.F[E]I/2017/AL-28/41 dated 24.04.2018 is forwarded for information, guidance and necessary action. Board's letters dated 24.08.2017 and 25.09.2017 quoted therein were circulated under S.C.Nos.137/17 and 175/17, respectively.

[K.RAVI KUMAR] Secy. to PCPO

For Principal Chief Personnel Officer

Copy of Board's letter No. F[E]I/2017/AL-28/41 dated 24.04.2018 [RBE No.61/2018]

Sub: Air Travel entitlements for journeys on tour or training; revision of instructions reg.

In partial modification of Board's letters of even number dated 24.08.2017 & 25.09.2017 on the subject, it has been decided by Board to revise the Air Travel entitlements of railway officers for journeys on tour or training in the following manner:

A. Journeys by Air within the Country

Pay level in Pay Matrix	Travel entitlement	
Officers in level -15 & above and CHOD*	'J' / Business Class	
Officers in level -14 & below	Economy Class	

[\* Note: There should be specific Railway Board's order regarding posting as CHOD]

B. Journey by Air (International)

Pay level in Pay Matrix	Travel entitlement
Officers in level -14 & above	Business / Club Class
Officers in level -13 & below	Economy Class

- 2. Further, in partial modification of Board's letter of even number dated 25.09.2017, it has also been decided by Board that grant of Air Travel permission to officers on Indian Railways, either one way or two way, may be approved personally by GMs of Railways with the prior personal concurrence of PFA.
- 3. As delegated vide para 22 of Board's letter No. F(X)II-2015/PW/7, dated 12.06.2017 of delegation of powers to GMs, these powers may be exercised personally by Chief Administrative Officer with the prior personal concurrence of PFA, in case of COFMOW, New Delhi, DCW/Patiala and MTP/Chennai.
- 4. The competent authority while approving Air Travel would apply his mind and consider whether the available train connectivity and time taken justifies the same. For example; while Delhi-Bangalore-Delhi may qualify for Air Travel, Delhi-Mumbai-Delhi can easily be covered by train comfortably. General Manager while using his discretion to permit one way or two way Air Travel may consider both the need of the journey and the urgency that necessitates Air Travel.
- 5. It may be ensured that permission for Air Travel is given judiciously and restricted only to absolutely essential official requirement that is recorded, subject to availability of budgetary provisions.
- This has the approval of Board (FC & CRB).
- These orders will take effect from the date of issue of this letter.

sd/-(Jitendra Kumar)/DDF[E]

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Board have circulated the revised air travel entitlements of railway officers for journeys on tour or training, effective from 24.04.2018.	77/2018