

## East Coast Railway

PCE's Circular No 01/2021 dated 13.05.2021

### **Sub: Stop repairing of Unfit Quarters.**

There are significant no. of quarters existing in all the three divisions of ECoR which are either unfit, condemned, unoccupied though in good condition or which require uneconomic expenses to repair.

Railway Board vide their letter no. 2015/LMB-II/12/24 dated 16.10.2020, has advised to refrain from repairing of unfit railway quarters to curb on uneconomical expense, exercise financial prudence, and simultaneously has advised to keep check on the unnecessary maintenance activities. The matter has been examined carefully with the holistic concern for stopping leakage of revenue due to uneconomical repairs to old quarters, keeping vacant the Railway quarters of any type etc.


In order to achieve the above objective, a policy guideline has been framed as under:

- i) There might be numerous good standard quarters available at many stations, which are not getting occupied for long time which are required to be utilized for alternative use. All such quarters shall be offered temporarily or permanently to other Departments of Central Govt. or State Govt. on rental basis as per Para E1949 & E1942 of Engineering Code. In the event of quarters not being required by other departments of Central or State Govt., RLDA can be approached to monetize these quarters, either through lease or any other way deemed to be fit.
- ii) The Railway Quarters which have been identified as 'unfit' should not be repaired under any circumstances and to be declared as 'condemned'.
- iii) At each station colony,
  - (a) Occupiable vacant quarters
  - Or
  - (b) Vacant quarters which can be economically repaired should be identified. The staff presently occupying the quarters which need uneconomical repairs, should be moved to either (a) or (b) identified as above.

The quarters under occupation but irreparable, should be declared as 'unfit' for occupation by issuing notices to vacate these quarters and by offering alternative allotment of railway quarters which are in 'good condition' or opting for own/rented house or on leased accommodation as allowed and as per the conditions warrants at that particular station.

iv) The railway quarters which have been identified as 'over aged', the quarters in 'dilapidated condition' or needing excessive repairs should also be certified as 'condemned' after following extant guidelines.

This issues with the approval of PCE.

  
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