

Estt. Srl. No. 25/2025 RBE No- 11/2025

Date: 10.02.2025

EAST COAST RAILWAY

प्रधान मुख्य कार्मिक अधिकारी का कार्यालय/ Office of the Principal Chief Personnel Officer रेल सदन, द्वितीय तल, भुवनेश्वर - 751017 Rail Sadan, Hnd Floor, Bhubaneswar-751017

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ALL PHODs/CHODs, DRMs/CWM/CAO & CPM, East Coast Railway, Bhubaneswar.

Sub: Amendments in the minimum qualifications for the post of Primary Teachers in Railway schools.

उपर्युक्त विषय पर रेलवे बोर्ड पत्र सं. E(P&A)I-2012/PS-5/PE-3(pt.), दिनांक 04.02.2025 की प्रतिलिपि सूचना, मार्गदर्शन एवं आवश्यक कार्रवाई हेतु अग्रेषित है।

A copy of Railway Board's Letter No. E(P&A)I-2012/PS-5/PE-3(pt.), dated 04.02.2025 on the above quoted subject is forwarded herewith for information, guidance and necessary action.

Encl: As above,

(Subash Chandra Hota) Assistant Personnel Officer - I for Principal Chief Personnel Officer.

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- 1. Secy. to GM & AGM,
- Chairman-RRB & RRC-BBS.
- 3. Dy.CPOs /Sr.DPOs, DPOs/SPOs, WPO/APOs of Personnel Department,
- 4. General Secretary's- ECoRSC & ECoRSU.

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

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RBE No. 11 /2025

No. E(P&A)I-2012/PS-5/PE-3(pt)

New Delhi, Dated: 04.02.2025

The General Managers and FA & CAOs, All Indian Railways and Production Units etc.

Sub: Amendments in the minimum qualifications for the post of Primary Teachers in Railway schools.

Ref: Railway Board's letter No. E(P&A)I-2012/PS-5/PE-3(pt) dated 12.04.2022 (RBE No. 50/2022).

Attention is invited to Railway Board's letter under reference vide which the minimum qualifications for recruitment/promotion of teachers for classes I to VIII were modified in line with National Council for Teachers Education's (NCTE's) Gazette Notifications dated 28.06.2018, 13.11.2019 & 13.10.2021.

- 2. The Hon'ble Supreme Court vide its judgment dated 11.08.2023 in Devesh Sharma Vs UOI and Ors. has quashed and set aside the NCTE's notification dated 28.06.2018 prescribing the B.Ed. qualification as one of the qualifications for the post of primary teachers. Accordingly, the candidates with B.Ed. qualifications are not eligible for appointment as a teacher for classes I to V. Further, the Hon'ble Supreme Court vide its subsequent judgment dated 28.08.2024 in Navin Kumar & Ors. Vs UOI & Ors. has upheld the decision of Chhattisgarh High Court quashing the appointments given to the B.Ed. candidates after the judgment dated 11.08.2023.
- 3. The matter has been examined in Board's Office and it has been decided to delete the following educational qualifications from the qualifications prescribed for primary teachers of railway schools as per para (I) (1)(A) (i) of the annexure to Board's letter dated 12.04.2022:

"Graduation with at least 50% marks and Bachelor of Education (B. Ed.)

OR

Post-Graduation with minimum 55% marks or equivalent grade and threeyear integrated B.Ed.-M.Ed."

- 3.1. Further, consequent to deletion of the B.Ed. qualification as one of the qualifications for the post of primary teachers, the following provisions contained in para (II) (3) (a) & (c) of the annexure annexed with Board's letter dated 12.04.2022 are also deleted:
 - 3. Training to be undergone:- "A person -
 - (a) who has acquired the qualification of Bachelor of Education from any NCTE recognized institution shall be considered for appointment as a teacher in classes I to V provided the person so appointed as a teacher shall

mandatorily undergo a six month Bridge Course in Elementary Education recognized by the NCTE, within two years of such appointment as primary teacher.

(c) who has acquired the qualification of three-year integrated B.Ed.-M.Ed. from any National Council for Teacher Education recognized institution shall be considered for appointment as a teacher in classes I to V:

Provided that the person so appointed as a teachers shall mandatorily undergo a six-month Bridge Course in Elementary Education recognized by the National Council for Teacher Education, which two years of such appointment as primary teacher."

3.2. Therefore, post-deletion of the B.Ed. qualification as one of the qualifications for selection of primary teachers, the minimum educational qualifications of primary teachers as prescribed in NCTE's notifications dated 23.08.2010 and 29.07.2011 (circulated vide Board's letters No. E(P&A)I-2012/PS-5/PE-3 dt. 09.12.2013 and No. E(P&A)I-2012/PS-5/PE-3(pt) dt. 12.04.2022) would be as follows:-

Senior Secondary (or its equivalent) with at least 50% marks and 2-year Diploma in Elementary Education (by whatever name known)

OR

Senior Secondary (or its equivalent) with at least 45% marks and 2-year Diploma in Elementary Education (by whatever name known), in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure), Regulations, 2002.

OR

Senior Secondary (or its equivalent) with at least 50% marks and 4-year Bachelor of Elementary Education (B.El.Ed.)

OR

Senior Secondary (or its equivalent) with at least 50% marks and 2-year Diploma in Education (Special Education)

OR

Gradation and two year Diploma in Elementary Education (by whatever name known)

AND

Pass in the Teacher Eligibility Test (TET), to be conducted by the appropriate Government in accordance with the Guidelines framed by the NCTE for the purpose.

4. The above orders will take effect from the date of Hon'ble Supreme Court's judgment i.e. from 11.08.2023.

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No. E(P&A)I-2012/PS-5/PE-3(pt)

New Delhi, Dated: 04.02.2025

Copy forwarded to:-

1. The General Secretary, AIRF, R.No.253, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.

2. The General Secretary, NFIR, R.No.256-E, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.

3. The Members of the National Council, Departmental Council and Secretary, Staff Side, National Council, 13-C, Ferozeshah Road, New Delhi.

4. The Secretary General, FROA, R.No.256-A, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.

5. The Secretary, RBSS, Group 'A' Officer Association, R.No.402, Rail Bhawan.

6. The President, Railway Board Class II Officers' Association.

- 7. The Secretary General, IRPOF, Room No.341-C, Railway Board.
- 8. The President, Indian Railway Class II Officer Association.
- 9. The Secretary, Railway Board Ministerial Staff Association.
- 10. The Secretary, Railway Board Class IV Staff Association

11. The Secretary General, AIRPF Association.

 The General Secretary, All India SC/ST Railway Employees Association, R.No.8, Ground Floor, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.

13. All India O.B.C. Railway Employee's Association.

14. The General Secretary, Retired Railway Employees Welfare Association (Regd.), 490A/16, Gurudwara Raod, Gurgaon.

15. The Chief Commissioner of Railway Safety, 16, Ashok Road, Lucknow.

Ask.2.

for PED(IR), Railway Board

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MR, MoSR(S), MoSR(R), CRB & CEO, Member Finance, Member Infra., Member (T&RS), Member (O&BD), DG(HR), DG(RHS), DG(RPF), DG(Safety), OSD/MR OSD/Co-ord/MR, Advisor/MR, EDPG/MR, Addl. PS/MR, Addl. PS/MoSR(S), Addl. PS/MoSR(R), Secretary, All Additional Members/ Advisors/ Executive Directors/ Joint Secretaries/ Directors/ Joint Directors/ Deputy Directors/ Under Secretaries.

All Branches and Officials of Railway Board.

(Authority: NCTE's letter No. NCTE-Reg1011/974/2021-Reg.Sec-HQ/122511 dated 03.11.2023)
