

Government of India Ministry of Railways (Railway Board)

RBA No. 3 ./2010

No. 2009/ACII/21/3

New Delhi, dated 2 5 .02.2010.

The FA&CAOs, All Indian Railways and PUs.

Sub: Grant of family pension to physically/mentally disabled children of Railway Employees- PNM/AIRF Item No. 1/2009.

AIRF has brought to the notice of this office that in certain cases physically/mentally disabled children of deceased Railway employees face problems in getting family pension sanctioned. The matter was discussed in PNM meeting held on 8^{th} and 9^{th} Oct., 2009 and it has been decided to reiterate the existing instructions.

- 2. It is informed that provision already exists to include the names of all eligible family members in the PPO Forms. The fact regarding handicap of the child/children, if any, also needs to be mentioned in the column specified in Form 6 of the Railway Services (Pension) Rules, 1993 'Statement Showing the details of the members of the family for the purpose of Family Pension'. Further, where the names of eligible children have not been mentioned in the PPO Forms for various reasons viz., the child is a post-retiral one or post-retiral manifestation of disability of the child etc., procedure to be followed has been detailed vide Board's letters No. 87/AC-II/21/33 dated 05.05.1995 and 25.02.1999, copies of which are enclosed for ready reference. In this connection attention is also invited to latest clarifications issued vide Board's letter No. F(E)III/2005/PN1/32 dated 15.01.2010, which, inter-alia, stipulate that non-intimation of physical/mental handicap does not make a person ineligible for family pension and disability manifested itself after attaining the age of 25 years is also acceptable for sanction of family pension.
- 3. Please take necessary action accordingly and ensure that no difficulty is faced by the eligible wards of deceased employees in grant of family pension.

DA: As above

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Copy to: - General Secretary/All India Railwaymen's Federation w.r.t. Item No. 1/2009 of PNM/AIRF.