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Team IRTSA RWF along with GS IRTSA meets Shri.V.Somanna Hon'ble MoSR





16th October 2026: General Secretary IRTSA and Team IRTSA RWF met Shri.V.Somanna Hon'ble Minister of state for Railways today at Tumkur at his residence. They extended the invitation for 61st All India Annual Conference and CGB Meeting of IRTSA on 3rd November hosted by IRTSA RWF zone. Seminar on the Topic "Achieving Vision of Indian Railways-Realizing Railways' Goals" will be organized in the open session of the conference, Sri.V.Somanna will be the Chief Guest. Team IRTSA RWF includes Er.Srikanthasamy, Zonal President IRTSA RWF, Er.M.Bapat, Zonal Secretary IRTSA RWF, Er.S.Ramesh, Co-Chairman Conference Committee and Er.S.Y.Manjunath, Treasurer Conference Committee.

CEC office bearers & active members Attend enmass 61st All India Annual Conference & Central General Body Meeting of Indian Railways Technical Supervisors' Association (IRTSA) On 3rd & 4th November 2026 At Employees Institute, West Colony, RWF, Yelahanka, Bangalore.

Precedent-setting decision by Govt
Creation of JE, SSE, DMS, CDMS & posts in Traffic dept in level-6 & 7 approved by FM
Vacant 21,978 posts to be filled
Expected to ease the pressure

After many decades creation of 5644 posts of Technical Supervisors, Stores Supervisors and Traffic supervisors going to happen in Railways.

Railway is following the principle of surrender of posts for many years through various methods. IRTSA is vigorously demanding for creation of posts in the cadre of Technical Supervisors/ Rail Engineers, justifying the creation due to enormous increase in work load.

Department of Expenditure has approved creation of 5664 posts in Level-6 & 7 in Railways. Department wise split up is given below,

Department	Name of Post & Pay Level	No. of Post proposed & approved for creation
Technical Supervisors		
Civil Engineering	JE (L-6)	424
	SSE (L-7)	860
Total		**1284**
Electrical Engineering	JE (L-6)	364
	SSE (L-7)	739
Total		**1103**
Mechanical Engineering	JE (L-6)	265
	SSE (L-7)	537
Total		**802**
S&T	JE (L-6)	336
	SSE (L-7)	683
Total		**1019**
Sub-total		**4208**
Stores	DMS (L-6)	36
	CDMS (L-7)	54
Sub-total		**90**
Traffic (Operating)	L-6	533
	L-7	356
Traffic (Commercial)	L-6	334
	L-7	143
Sub-total		1366
Grand total		**5644**

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"SUCCESS COMES TO THOSE WHO BELIEVE"

Editorial

Will 8th CPC concedes justified demands of IRTSA?

IRTSA submitted comprehensive memorandum and presentation during the oral evidence based on facts arguing the merit to the 8th CPC advocating for significant structural and financial reforms. IRTSA highlighted severe issue of career stagnation among Technical Supervisors and proposes elevating the pay levels for Junior Engineers and Senior Section Engineers to better reflect their duties, responsibilities, accountabilities and hazards nature of work. Key demands include classifying senior Technical Supervisory posts as Group-B. Additionally, the proposal suggests enhancing various allowances, medical benefits, and retirement pensions, while also calling for a shift to a five-day work week.

IRTSA representing important technical categories of Indian Railways working in Civil, Electrical, Mechanical & Signal & Telecommunication departments working as Junior Engineers (JE), Senior Section Engineers (SSE) (JE & SSE each having more than 34 suffixes), Chemical & Metallurgical Assistants (CMA), Chemical & Metallurgical Superintendents (CMS), Depot Material Superintendents (DMS), Chief Depot Material Superintendents (CDMS) & Junior Engineers (IT) & Senior Engineers (IT) working in Production units, POH Workshops, Carriage & wagon maintenance, loco maintenance, Permanent way, Bridges, Works, Track Machine, OHE, power & general services, signal, telecommunication, RDSO, design & drawing, etc. demanded for rectification continuous injustice being done.

8th CPC was surprised to know SSEs even in level-8 are not classified as Group-B. IRTSA explained about not only the demands on Group-B but precisely advantages the Government can get especially in the era of out souring and highest budget allocation by classifying SSEs as Group-B.

Anomalies in the pay level of JEs and SSEs are well explained and well received by 8th CPC. On the issue of stagnation among SSEs, CDMS, CMS & SE(IT), 8th CPC specially discussed about periodicity and method of cadre restructure (CRC) being done in Railways. IRTSA established existing method of CRC is not clearing the stagnation at apex level of the category, even that exercise was due to be completed on October 2023. Upgradation to level-8 w.e.f. 01.12.2022 (RBE No.155/2022) was not cleared the stagnation for seniors who are in the same post for more than 20 years.

Meagre number of Group-B posts in Technical Departments is a major hurdle in avenue of promotion. Additionally, inclusion of 1.4 lack loco running staff in mechanical and electrical departments in the Group-B selection along with seniority advantage to them almost make the chances for SSEs nil. 8th CPC surprised to know grouping of loco pilots with Technical Supervisors in promotion to Group-B.

Demands pertaining to MACPS, some of the demands very specific to categories working in Railways, demands pertaining to allowances and allowances specifically involving technical staff like NDA, HNA, OTA, PCO allowance, Risk & Hard Ship, Accident Free Service award, etc were well received by 8th CPC. IRTSA demanded that considering exclusivity and 24X7 working, Railways should be allowed to take its decision in settling exclusive MACPS issues and extension of allowances to the safety categories with in the principle laid down by Finance Ministry and DoPT.

Will Railways support our demands? Do we get justice?

IRTSA organises "Diabetes Care" Seminar
Padmashri. Dr. Seshiah honored
Shri Manish Agarwal GM ICF graced as Chief Guest
Dr.A.Pannerselvam delivered Key Note Address on "Diabetes Care"

5th October 2026: IRTSA ICF and Southern Railway organized "Diabetes Care" seminar at AWTI auditorium, ICF. Shri.Manish Agarwal GM ICF graced the seminar as Chief Guest. He shared his experience with diabetes and Administration's initiatives to control Diabatic condition among the employees. Padmashri. Dr.Seshiah pioneer Diabetologist in India was felicitated. He spoke briefly about Diabetes Care. Dr.A.Pannerselvam delivered key note address on Diabetes Care through PPT. Shri.Vikas Purwar PCME ICF appreciated efforts of IRTSA for organizing useful medical awareness programme. Er.G.Aranganathan Divisional Secretary Furnishing proposed vote of thanks.



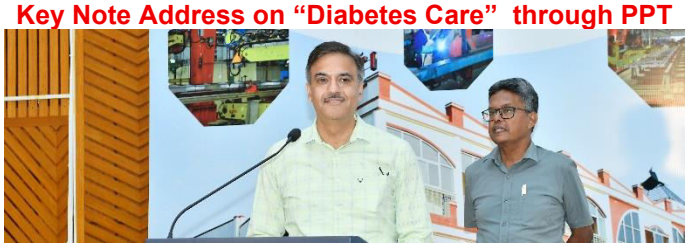
Shri.Manish Agarwal GM ICF address



Padmashri. Dr.Seshiah address



Dr.A.Pannerselvam delivered Key Note Address on "Diabetes Care" through PPT



Shri. Vikas Purwar PCME ICF Address



K.V.Ramesh GS IRTSA



M.Shanmugam CP IRTSA

Submission of memorandum to Ms. Shobha Karandlaje, Hon'ble Minister of State for Labour & Employment, and Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises and Shri. Tejasvi Surya, Hon'ble Member of Parliament.

16th October 2016: K.V.Ramesh General Secretary IRTSA submitted memorandum addressed to Hon'ble Railway Minister to Ms. Shobha Karandlaje, Hon'ble Minister of State for Labour & Employment and Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises and Shri. Tejasvi Surya, Hon'ble Member of Parliament requesting them to forward it to Railway Minister. The memorandum is for restoration of PCO allowance to SSEs upgraded to level-8 and payment of NDA, NHA and PCO allowance for SSEs receiving non-functional financial upgradation to level-9. ¤

General Secretary IRTSA visits RWF

13th October 2026: K.V.Ramesh General Secretary IRTSA visited Rail Wheel Factory and held discussions with IRTSA RWF office bearers on preparations for 61st All India Annual Conference and Central General Body Meeting of IRTSA. IRTSA RWF zone will be hosting the conference on 3rd and 4th November 2026 at Employees Institute, RWF.

General Secretary along with Er.Dayananda Rao, Joint Secretary Staff Council, Er.Srikanthasamy President IRTSA RWF and Er.M.Bapat Zonal Secretary IRTSA RWF met Sri.Manorajan Pradhan GM RWF, Sri. Anand Swaroop PCME RWF and Sri.Shuja Mahamood PCPO RWF to invite them for the conference and to apprise about the programme. All of them consented to grace the conference and assured for all possible help.

Highlighting approval got by Railway Board from Department of Expenditure for creation of 1426 JEs, 2819 SSEs, 36 DMS and 54 CDMS posts throughout Indian Railways, GS IRTSA requested PCME RWF & PCOP RWF to demand for creation of posts for RWF from Railway Board. PCME said that he has already written to Railway Board for creation of posts for RWF. He said even previous proposal was pending with Railway Board. PCPO also apprised about action taken by RWF. ¤



GS IRTSA addresses largely attended meeting at Hubli Workshop, SWR

24th October 2026: K.V.Ramesh General Secretary IRTSA addressed large gathering of JEs & SSEs of Hubli Workshop at BTC Auditorium.

Er. Thirukkuralarasan welcomed General Secretary and all members of Hubli workshop and coordinated the meeting. Er.Imam Hussain, SSE Coordination said for some period IRTSA Hubli sub unit is not functioning well. He further said at the time of 8th CPC and achieve demands of the category, members from Hubli need to get united under IRTSA.

While opening his speech GS IRTSA recollected important activities from the history of IRTSA in which Hubli work shop participated with full spirit. He listed some of them including Demonstration & Procession all over Indian Railways on 27th Nov 1967, observation of work to rule by Technical Supervisors in April 1974, observance of protest day in September 1983, hosting of 41st All India Annual Conference & CGB Meeting of IRTSA on 10th & 11th Nov 2006, etc.

GS IRTSA briefed about achievements of IRTSA during past 61 years working for the betterment of the category. The achievements including uniform designation of JE & SSE, uniform training period of one year, inclusion of training period for the purpose of increment, pension, etc, 1st Class Pass for all JEs, higher cadre strength of 67% of SSE benefiting JEs with quicker promotion, concept of Assured Carrer Progression, retaining 15% incentive to SSEs of PUs & Workshops in the incentive revision done in 2017, etc, were briefed by GS IRTSA.

He briefed about untiring efforts made by Team IRTSA for the historical achievement of upgradation of 25,250 SSE, CDMS & CMS to level-8 from level-7 w.e.f. 01.12.2022 and NFU to level-9 after completion of 4 years in level-8. He explained continuous never-say-die efforts made by Team IRTSA for this land mark achievement. GS IRTSA also briefed about another land mark achievement of creation of 4,245 Technical Supervisors posts and 90 DMS & CDMS posts throughout Railways. Finance Ministry has given the approval for creation of these posts and also filling up of more than 22,000 vacancies in Technical and Traffic departments. GS IRTSA explained demands made by IRTSA to 8th CPC with PPT presented before 8th CPC.

While concluding his speech GS IRTSA appealed to all members for the contribution membership subscription and struggle fund. He invited Hubli Workshop members to attend 61st AIAC & CGB Meeting hosted by RWF Zone on 3rd & 4th November 2026.

Er.Prakash Reddi of electrical while appreciating the efforts of IRTSA highlighted the need for getting united under the umbrella of IRTSA and contribution for its membership.



Members of Hubli Workshop after the meeting

Warm meeting with Add Member (PU)

GS IRTSA briefed restoration of PCO allowance for SSE in L-8 & creation of SSE posts in ICF for new projects.

AM (PU) appreciated suggestions given by IRTSA for improving performance of Indian Railways & said there are all considered by Railways.

September 11, 2026: Team IRTSA submitted memorandum to Sri. Sunil Kumar Additional Member (PU) during his visit to ICF, Chennai.

K.V.Ramesh General Secretary IRTSA briefed on restoration of PCO Allowance for SSEs upgraded to level-8 and level-9 (non-functional upgradation) working in PCO wing of Production Units and Workshops, explaining the advantages of incentive system and huge productivity improvement achieved by PUs and workshops following incentive system. He requested AM (PU) for initiating fresh proposal by Railway Board for reconsideration of the - decision taken by DoE, Ministry of Finance on this issue. PPT presentation on incentive system, its advantages, productivity improvement achieved through incentive system, PCO organisation part and partial of incentive system, etc was also submitted to AM (PU).

GS IRTSA briefed about proposal of ICF for creation of 30 SSE posts for activities involving “Vande Bharat” train set variants. He said creation of SSE posts are further justified since ICF is entrusted with manufacturing 238 AC EMU rakes (2,856 coaches) for MUTP starting from 2027 and requested for early approval of the proposal.

Additional Member (PU) warmly interacted with Team IRTSA and responded positively for the demands raised by GS IRTSA. He appreciated efforts taken by IRTSA to valuable suggestions to improve the performance of Indian Railways and said all suggestions are considered by Ministry of Railways. He appreciated Team ICF for living upto the expectations and said ICF should continue its good performance to reach new heigh.

Er. YRS.Banerjee, Er. E.Ramesh, Er.Srineevasa Rao and Er. B.G.Ramesh Babu were present in the meeting.



GS IRTSA submits memorandum to AM (ME)



5th September 2026: K.V.Ramesh General Secretary IRTSA submitted memorandum to Sri.P.Mahesh Additional Member (Mechanical Engineering) during his visit to Chennai on the following demands,

1) Restoration of PCO allowance for SSEs upgraded / promoted to level-8 and working in PCO organization
2) Payment of NDA, NHA and PCO allowance for personnel receiving non-functional upgradation to level-9 after 4 years of service in level-8.
3) Requesting Railway Board to send a fresh proposal to DoE, Ministry of Finance for reconsideration of the issue.

Copy of PPT presentation was also submitted to AM (ME) explaining Incentive system, its advantages, productive utilisation of infrastructure & man power, revision of rates of incentive along with reduction in time standards to achieve higher productivity and higher financial savings than the value of incentive raise, adopting to all changes by PUs & workshops, PCO allowance part of incentive system, etc were explained in the PPT.

National Engineers’ Day - 2026 celebrations at GOC work shop Southern Railway

The National Engineers’ Day – 2026 celebration was organised at GOC with great enthusiasm and pride by IRTSA, in the presence of Dy. CME/P&WP, Dy. CME/Diesel, Dy. CME/C and all Shop Engineers. The celebration was a proud moment for the engineering fraternity, reflecting the unity, professionalism, technical strength and dedication of all engineers. The contributions of every engineer were appreciated, and the gathering concluded with a renewed commitment to work together with greater coordination and determination for the continued growth and excellence of GOC.



Glimpses of National Engineers' Day celebrations by IRTSA Northern Railway, Rail Wheel Factory (RWF) Rail Coach Factory (RCF) on 15th September 2026



























Engineers' Day celebrations at Mysore



IRTSA Mysore, SWR, celebrated Engineers' day on 25th September grandly. Sri.Sandeep Kumar Sharma CWM Mysore Workshop graced the function as Chief Guest.





Arrangements for grand gathering of JE, SSE, CMA, CMS, DMS, CDMS, JE(IT) & SE(IT)



IRTSA RWF zone started preparatory work for hosting All India Annual Conference & CGB Meeting of IRTSA on 3rd and 4th November 2026. On 1st September General Secretary IRTSA visited RWF and held discussion with office bearers on preparation for the conference and financial capabilities.

Formation of committees for souvenir, reception, accommodation, transportation, hall arrangements, catering, open session, felicitation, cultural programme, etc were discussed.

Reservation for train Journey for delegates coming from faraway places will open in one or two days. All are requested to do their reservation for both journeys well in advance so that every one can have comfortable journey. ¤

General Body Meeting of Carriage & Wagon Works Southern Railway

1st October 2026: IRTSA Carriage & Wagon Workshop conducted its General Body meeting. K.V.Ramesh General Secretary IRTSA explained about demands placed by IRTSA before 8th CPC. Er.Sunil Kumar Zonal President IRTSA Southern Railway explained about activities and achievements of IRTSA. Newly elected Secretary IRTSA C&W Works Anbu Palani thanked the members and requested for membership subscription and struggle fund.





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Relief for Safety Categories from Surrender of posts

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
RAILWAY BOARD

No. E(MPP)2026/23/9 **New Delhi, Dated** 31.08 **.2026**

The General Secretary,
AIRF,
4, State Entry Road,
New Delhi-110055.

Sir,

Sub: Rationalization of manpower for FY 2026-27- reg.

Ref: AIRF letter no. AIRF/159 dated- 22.06.2026

I am directed to refer to the Federation's letter cited above and to state that with regard to subject instructions issued to Railways, following is advised:

Effective manpower planning in Indian Railways necessitates periodic assessment of the sanctioned strength to keep pace with changes in workload, adoption of modern technologies, evolving work practices, and commissioning of new assets. Consequently, creation, redistribution, and surrender of posts is an ongoing process on Indian Railways.

In this connection, vide Railway Board letter dated- 24.04.2026, targets for manpower rationalization (Redistribution + Surrender) for FY 2026-27 were issued to railways. This exercise enables railways to redistribute redundant category posts from non-safety to safety categories in the same pay grade, thereby, ensuring optimal utilization of manpower. From FY 2024-25 onwards, target for manpower rationalization consists of both Redistribution and Surrender of posts. Redistribution is the focus. There is NO REDUCTION of sanctioned strength in redistribution. It involves transfer of posts from redundant, non-safety and non-essential categories to critical, operational and safety categories. Further, it is re-iterated here that only 2550 and 694 posts have been surrendered in the FY 2024-25 and 2025-26 respectively.

Your faithfully

Shri Sharma

Deputy Director/ E(MPP), Railway Board

Railways surrendered more than 1,34,700 posts between 2014 and 2024 through work study as per the target fixed by Railway Board to Zonal Railways and PUs. Surrender includes 27,043 posts surrendered in 2022 and proposal to surrender 28,815 posts in 2024.

Federations and IRTSA are continuously representing against surrender of man power through work study and demanding creation of posts according to increase in work load particularly in safety categories.

Railway Board in its letter dated 31.08.2026 on rationalization of manpower for the FY 2026-27, communicated to GS/AIRF mentioning about change in the policy of surrender of posts.

The letter says, From FY 2024-25 onwards, target of man power rationalization consists of both Redistribution and surrender of posts. Redistribution is the focus. There is no reduction of sanctioned strength in re-distribution. It involves transfer of posts from redundant non-safety & non-essential categories to critical operational and safety categories. In FY 2024-25 only 2550 and in FY 2025-26 only 694 posts were surrendered.

Ie. surrender of posts has come down to 694 posts in last year from average 13,400 posts surrender per year during previous ten years. There may not be surrender of posts in safety category posts and marginal increase likely to happen in some safety categories.

CEC office bearers

- **All the CEC communications are being done through WhatsApp group "CEC IRTSA" as well as through other groups.**
- **A separate record is maintained for CEC IRTSA office bearers for recording their presence in the meetings, agitations, seminars, etc organised by CEC IRTSA.**
- **All the CEC office bearers are requested to remit their annual membership subscription, struggle fund and subscription for "Voice of Rail Engineers" immediately.**
- **All are requested to mobilize 100% annual membership subscription.**
- **Central quota of membership may be deposited in IRTSA account maintained either by Central Treasurer at RCF Kapurthal or by Asst. Central Treasurer at ICF Chennai.**

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Approval of DoE, Ministry of Finance for the proposal of Railways to create posts in supervisory posts in Technical & Traffic departments

Government of India Ministry of Finance Department of Expenditure E.Coord.I Branch

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Ref: Notes of M/o Railways, File No. E(NG)I/2025/PMI/7.

The proposal of M/o Railways regarding creation of 5,664 posts in Level 6 & 7 in different Department of Indian Railways has been examined in this Department and is agreed to as per details given below: -

S.No.	Department	Name of Post &Pay Level	No. of Post(s) proposed for creation	No. of Post(s) agreed to by DoE
1.	Civil Engineering	Junior Engineer (L-6)	424	424
		Senior Section Engineer (L-7)	860	860
2.	Electrical Engineering	Junior Engineer (L-6)	364	364
		Senior Section Engineer (L-7)	739	739
3.	Mechanical Engineering	Junior Engineer (L-6)	265	265
		Senior Section Engineer (L-7)	537	537
4.	S&T	Junior Engineer (L-6)	336	336
		Senior Section Engineer (L-7)	683	683
5.	Traffic (Operating)	Station Master/ Controller (L-6)	533	533
		Station Superintendent/ Chief Controller (L-7)	356	356
6.	Traffic (Commercial)	Chief Commercial cum Ticket Supervisor (L-6)	334	334
		Commercial Superintendent (L-7)	143	143
7.	Stores	Depot Material Superintendent (DMS) (L-6)	36	36
		Chief Depot Material Superintendent (CDMS) (L-7)	54	54
Total Level-6			2,292	2,292
Total Level-7			3,372	3,372
Grand Total (6&7)			**5,664**	**5,664**

2. **The AM is advised to abolish 10,939 posts which are proposed to be surrendered.** A copy of the abolition order may be endorsed to this Department. The details of the posts to be surrendered are indicated below:-

S.No.	Regions	Designation	Pay Level	No. of posts for surrender
I.	Central Railway (CR), East Coast Railway (ECoR), East Central Railway (ECR), Eastern Railway (ER), North Central Railway (NCR), North Eastern Railway (NER), Northeast Frontier Railway (NFR), Northern Railway (NR), North Western Railway (NWR), South Eastern Railway (SER), Southern Railway (SR), South Western Railway (SWR), Western Railway (WR)	General Assistants/ Assistants (erstwhile Helpers) in different departments, Bearer, Porter, AC Coach attendant, Hospital Attendant, House keeping Assistant (HKA) etc.	Level-I	5163
2.		Tech-III(Painter), Carpenter, Commercial Clerk etc.	Level-2	2334
3.		Comm) Clerk, Store Clerk etc.	Level-3	533
4.		Jr. Stenographer, Running room Cook etc.	Level-4	915
5.		Technician Gr-I in different trades, Vehicle Driver, Sr. Commercial-cum-Ticket clerk (Sr. CCTC) etc.	Level-5	1994
Total				10,939

2.1 **AM is advised to fill up the positions in phases. In the first phase, 50% (2832) of the sanctioned 5664 posts along with the vacant 21,978 posts may be filled up. Once these posts are filled upto 80%, the balance recruitment may be taken up in the second phase.**

3. This issues with the approval of Finance Minister.

Implementation of the Unified Pension Scheme under the NPS – Railway Services Rules, 2026: Railway Board RBE No. 75/2026 dated 24.09.2026

Subject:- Railway Services (Implementation of the Unified Pension Scheme under the National Pension System) Rules, 2026.

The Railway Services (Implementation of the Unified Pension Scheme under the National Pension System) Rules, 2026 have been notified in the Gazette of India vide **G.S.R. 827(E) dated 16th September, 2026**.

Northern Railway clarifies & reiterates payment of CEA for the children of deceased employees

Admissibility of Children Education Allowance (CEA) in case of death of Railway Employees during service.

Ref: Para 'K' MC No.17 dated 22.09.2019

If a Government servant dies while in service, the CEA or hostel subsidy shall be admissible in respect of his/her children subject to observance of other conditions for its grant period provided the wife/husband of the deceased is

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Railway Board letter No. E(MPP)/2026/ 2017/Isolated, dated: 19.09.2026

Sub: Approved vacancies of isolated categories for notification in 2026

Assessment of vacancies of isolated categories done by Zonal Railways/PUs in the Indent Management module of HRMS has been examined in Railway Board.

The Competent authority has approved to issue Centralized Employment Notification (CEN) for 195 vacancies in 07 isolated categories for the year 2026 as given below:

SN	Post Name	Deptt	Pay level	Vacan-cies
1	Senior Publicity Inspector	Commercial	6	8
2	Lab Assistant Gr. III (Chemist & Metallurgist)	Mechanical (CMT)	2	38
3	Chief Law Assistant	Personnel	7	17
4	Junior Translator I Hindi	Personnel	6	79
5	Staff and Welfare Inspector	Personnel	6	29
6	Public Prosecutor	Personnel	7	21
7	Scientific Assistant (Training)	RDSO	6	03
	Total			195

The Railway/PU-wise distribution of vacancies is given in Annexure - A. Immediate action should be taken by Zonal Railways/PUs for placing the final indent (not exceeding the vacancies approved by Railway Board) in OIRMS portal ensuring prescribed reservation norms for SC/ST/OBC/EWS etc.

Following timeline is fixed, in consultation with Chairperson/RRB/ Bengaluru, for placing the final indent in OIRMS.

Sl.No	Layer	From date	To date
I	Indenting Units	23.09.2026	30.09.2026
2	PCPO	01.10.2026	06.10.2026
3	RRBs	07.10.2026	09.10.2026
4	Nodal RRB	10.10.2026	Onwards

Switching off of mobile charging points

Railway Board's letter No. 2000/Elect(G) /113/4/Pt-III(safety), dated 26.10.2026

Sub: Ensuring switching off of mobile charging points in coaches from 11.00 PM to 05.00 AM.

Ref:Board's letter no 2000/Elect(G)113/4/safety dated 19.06.2014.

Vide letter under reference, instructions were issued regarding switching off of mobile charging points in coaches during the period from 11:00 PM to 05:00 AM.

Recently, an instance has occurred in SER wherein onboard staff has not switched off the mobile charging points during the aforesaid period. Subsequently during charging a passenger's power bank exploded with smoke.

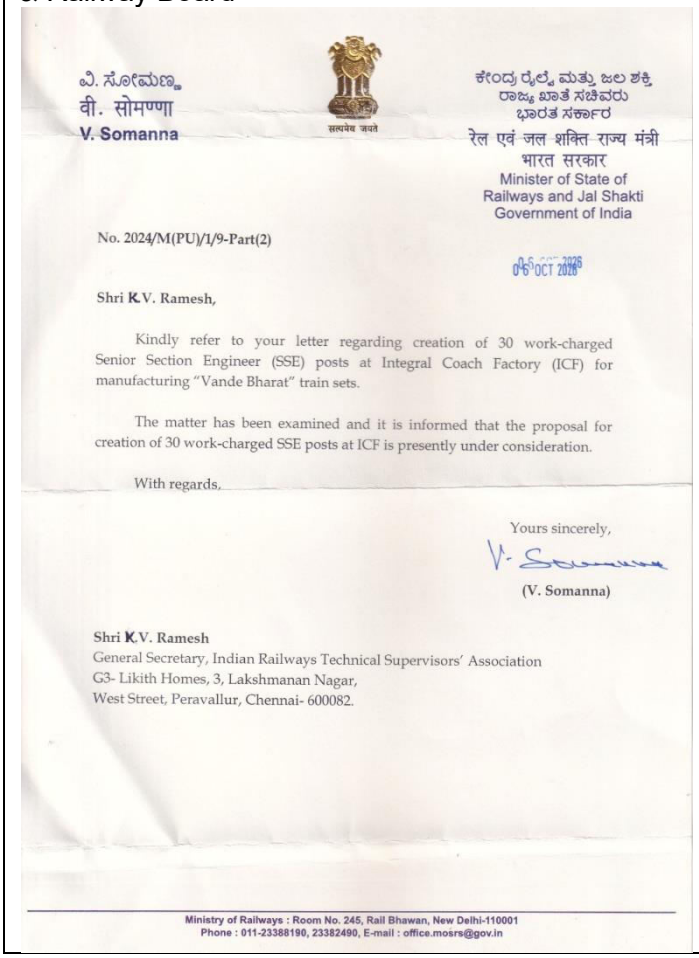
In view of the above, all Zonal Railways are advised to issue necessary instructions to all concerned staff to ensure strict compliance for mobile charging points to invariably remain switched off from 11.00 PM to 05.00 AM. No exception should be permitted on this account.

The concerned staff may be suitably counselled/ instructed/ trained to ensure effective implementation & compliance of these Instructions.

Further, surprise Inspections should be conducted both at officers & supervisors level to ensure strict compliance with these instructions.

Sri.V.Somanna Hon'bel Minister of State for Railways communicated to GS IRTSA stating that demand of IRTSA on creation of 30 SSE work-charged posts at Integral Coach Factory for manufacturing "Vande Bharat" train sets (proposal sent by ICF to Railway Board) is presently under consideration.

The proposal for creation of SSEs posts for ICF involving manufacturing activities of Vande Bharat train set is pending with Railway Board since 2023. Series communications are happening between ICF & Railway Board



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V. Somanna

सत्यमेव जयते

కేంద్ర రైల్వే మరియు జల శక్తి
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Minister of State of
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Government of India

No. 2024/M(PU)/1/9-Part(2)

06 OCT 2026

Shri K.V. Ramesh,

Kindly refer to your letter regarding creation of 30 work-charged Senior Section Engineer (SSE) posts at Integral Coach Factory (ICF) for manufacturing "Vande Bharat" train sets.

The matter has been examined and it is informed that the proposal for creation of 30 work-charged SSE posts at ICF is presently under consideration.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(V. Somanna)

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Proposal for discontinuation of Physical pension booklet

Railway Board letter No 2026/ac-ii/21/5/3438246, dated 20.08.2026

Sub: Proposal-Discontinuation of Physical pension booklet- and settlement calculation sheet/forms/bills to Accounts for normal Retirement cases.

At present, pension booklet and settlement calculation sheet/ forms and bills are generate digitally in HRMS and sent to IPAS upon implementation of normal retirement module in HRMS. Besides, physically filled pension booklet and settlement calculation sheet/form/bills are also being maintained at Accounts Department parallelly. Board is now considering the feasibility of dispensing with the maintenance of settlement forms and other allied pension papers in physical form in view of the existing digital practices and applications for the purpose.

In this regard, it is requested that necessary inputs may kindly be provided at npsrailwaybaord@gmail.com by 31.08.2026.

Re-engagement of retired non-gazetted Railway staff against vacant posts

Railway Board letter No. E(NG) II/2024/RC-4/9, dated 22.09.2026

Sub: Extension of validity of the scheme for engagement/re-engagement of retired Railway staff on contractual basis against vacant posts.

Ref: Board's letters of even number dated 15.10.2024 (RBE No.96/2024), 31.12.2024 (RBE No.115/2024), 20.06.2025 (RBE No.55/2025), 28.06.2024 (RBE No.59/2024), 30.06.2025 (RBE No.61/2025) and Board's letter dated 30.06.2026,

Following schemes for re-engagement of retired non-gazetted Railway staff against vacant posts and through open market on contractual basis exist and are valid upto 15.10.2026:-

(i) Board's letter dated 15.10.2024 permitting engagement of retired Railway Staff only and amended from time to time vide letters dated 31.12.2024 & 20.06.2025;

(ii) Board's letters dated 28.06.2024 and 30.06.2025 govern engagement of retired/hiring of para-medical staff on contractual basis.

(iii) Board's letter dated 30.06.2026 provides for re-engagement of retired Railway staff against vacant posts of Instructors/Senior Instructors in Centralized Training Institutes (CTIs).

2. Extension of currency of aforesaid schemes have been under consideration of this Ministry and it has now been decided to extend the validity of the same for a further period of two years beyond 15.10.2026 i.e, upto 15.10.2028, on the existing terms and conditions stipulated in the Board's letters under reference.

3. The remuneration, allowances and leave of re-engaged retired Railway employees covered under the Old Pension Scheme (OPS) will be regulated in accordance with the instructions contained in Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance O.M. No. F.No.3-25/2020-E.III(A) dated 09.12.2020, as mentioned in Board's letter dated 15.10.2024. In respect of retired Railway employees covered under the National Pension System (NPS), remuneration and other service conditions shall be regulated in accordance with Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance O.M. No. 03-25/2020-E.III(A)/Pt dated 18.10.2023.

3.1. The past cases of reengagements w.r.t. regulating the remuneration, leave etc., decided in a manner other than that indicated in the instructions mentioned in para 3 above, need not be reopened until the normal term of those cases or till 15.10.2026, whichever is earlier.

4. It is reiterated that re-engagement should be done only in exigencies, after observing due diligence.

5. All other terms and conditions contained in Board's letters under references will remain unchanged.

6. This issues with the approval of Board (CRB and MF) and concurrence of Associate Finance of Ministry of Railways (Railway Board).

All Zones / sub-units are requested to deposit membership subscription, Struggle fund, donations, etc. in IRTSA central account Name: IRTSA, Account No: 10083429358, IFSC: SBIN0050540, State Bank of India, RCF, Hussainpur, Kapurthala. (Branch Code-50540) and inform Er. Surjit Singh, Central Treasurer C-301, Silver Palm Apartments, Jalandhar Kunj, Jalandhar-144021 (9714301044)

Productivity Linked Bonus (PLB)

Railway Board letter No.E(P&A)II/2026/PLB-1 (RBE No.84/2026, dated 14.10.2026

Sub: Payment of Productivity Linked Bonus (PLB) to all eligible non-gazetted Railway employees for the financial year 2025-26.

The President is pleased to sanction Productivity Linked Bonus (PLB) equivalent to **78 (Seventy Eight)** days wages' without any ceiling on wages for eligibility for the financial year 2025-26 to all eligible non-gazetted Railway employees (excluding all RPF/RPSF personnel). Where, wages' exceed ₹7000/- per month, Productivity Linked Bonus will be calculated as if the 'wages' are ₹7000/- p.m. Other conditions of eligibility, method of calculation of wages, etc., as prescribed in this Ministry's instructions and clarifications issued from time to time, shall remain unchanged.

2. It has also been decided that in the case of eligible employees mentioned in Para 1 above who were not placed under suspension, or had not quit service/retired/expired during the financial year 2025-26 or were on leave where leave salary admissible is not less than that admissible on leave on average pay, may be paid an amount of ₹17,951/- towards Productivity Linked Bonus for the financial year 2025-26. In the case of employees other than those mentioned above, the amount of Productivity Linked Bonus may be calculated in accordance with the extant instructions on the subject.

3. Further, in relaxation to the provisions in Rules 905(2), 908 and 909 of State Railway Provident Fund Rules, as contained in Chapter 9 of R-I/1985 edition (2003 Reprint edition), such of the subscribers to the SRPF as are entitled to Productivity Linked Bonus may, if they so desire, deposit the whole or part of the amount admissible under the Scheme in their respective State Railway Provident Fund Accounts.

4. Disbursement of Productivity Linked Bonus for the financial year 2025-26 to all eligible non-gazetted Railway employees mentioned in Para 1 above should be made in the Same mode as payment of salary, **on priority basis**.

5. This issues with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of the Ministry of Railways.

Railway Board letter No. E(MPP) 2025/1/35, dated 5-10-2026

Sub.: Accountal of Crew Review & IRRT NOC during vacancy assessment.

The issue of assessment of DR quota vacancies in Indent Management module of HRMS has been deliberated in detail. For making the assessment more broad based, following functionalities may be added in the module.

1. Accountal of future Crew Review: The Vacancy Assessment Module for Loco Running Staff and Train Managers may be suitably modified to take into account the DRQ component of the average number of posts created by the concerned Division/unit during the preceding 2 years. This average may be considered as the anticipated increase in the number of posts for the ensuing one year and may be automatically added to the vacancy assessment of the aforesaid categories.

2. NOCs received in IRRT: NOC received against Inter-Railway Request Transfer (IRRT) applications may be taken into account while assessing vacancies. Vacancies to the extent of 100% of NOCs received will be added to the relevant categories in the sending zone/Unit (where the

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Railway Board letter No. No. 2024/E(W)/01/09/2, RBE No 86/2026, dated 30.010.2026.

Sub: Clarification regarding travel in higher Class of Rajdhani/Duronto/Shatabdi Express type trains on Privilege/Post Retirement Complimentary/Widow Passes.

Ref: (i) Board's letter No. 2022/E(W)/01/08/1 dated 28.10.2022. (ii) Board's letter No. 2022/E(W)/01/08/1 dated 17.05.2023. (iii) Board's letter No. 2026/E(W)/01/09/6 dated 30.07.2026.

The issue of permitting travel in higher Class of Rajdhani/Duronto/Shatabdi Express type trains on Privilege Passes (PP)/Post Retirement Complimentary Passes (PRCP)/Widow Passes (WP) by paying the difference of fare as per Rule 3(x) of Schedule-II of Railway Servants (Pass) Rules 1986 (Second Edition-1993) [RSPR-1986],as already available in Mail/Express type trains, has been examined in consultation with Commercial (PM) Directorate of Railway Board. It has been observed that there is no restriction in RSPR-1986 on applicability of Rule-3(x) of Schedule-II of RSPR-1986 in premium trains viz. Rajdhani/Duronto/Shatabdi Express type trains. Accordingly, it is clarified that PP/PRCP/WP holders may travel in a Class higher than the entitled Class in premium trains, by paying the applicable difference of fare.

2. Keeping in view the above as well as clarification issued vide Board's letter cited under Ref. (ii) & (iii) above, the revised travel entitlements are enclosed as Annexure-II and Annexure-II. **This supersedes all previous instructions regarding travel entitlement on Passes/PTOs.**

3. CRIS/PRS and CRIS/HRMS are advised to make necessary modifications in the PRS and e-Pass Module of HRMS, respectively, on immediate basis.

Annexure-I to Letter No.2024/E(W)01/09/2 dated 30.10.2026

INTEGRATED TRAVEL ENTITLEMENT ON DUTY PASSES

Sl. No.	Status	Pay Level in Pay Matrix (PLPM)	Type of Pass#	Class/Booking Codes & Maximum number of Berths/Seats											
				Mail/Express Trains				Rajdhani/Duronto Express Type Trains					Shatabdi Express Type Trains		
				1-AC	2-AC	3-AC/CC	SL/2S	1-AC	2-AC	3-AC	SL	2S	EC	CC	2S
				1A/EC/ EA/EV	2A	3A/3E/ CC/FC	SL/2S/ VS	1A/EC/ EA/EV	2A	3A/3E	SL	2S/VS	1A/EC/ EA/EV	CC/FC	2S/VS
1	CRB, Board Members including MF, DGs & GMs granted Apex Scale and CCRS	17	Gold Pass*	2+AE-I or 1+RE/D-I	4	4	4	2	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
2	GMs & other equivalent Officers	16													
3	HAG Officers (Including NF-HAG)	15	Silver Pass	1+AE-II or 1+RE/D-I	4	4	4	1+AE-III or 1+RE/D-II	2	4	4	4	2	4	4
4	SAG Officers (Including NF-SAG)	14													
5	Selection Grade Officers	13	Bronze Pass/ First Class 'A' (with 1-AC authority)	1+AE-II Or 1+RE/D-I	4	4	4	1+AE-III	2	4	4	4	2	4	4
6	JAG Officers	12													
7	All other Group A & B Gazetted Officers	11	Bronze Pass/ First Class 'A'	RE/D-III	4	4	4	NE	1+RE/D-IV	2	4	4	NE	2	4
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9		9													
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				1-AC	2-AC	3-AC/CC	SL/2S	1-AC	2-AC	3-AC	SL	2S	EC	CC	2S
				1A/EC/ EA/EV	2A	3A/3E/ CC/FC	SL/2S/ VS	1A/EC/ EA/EV	2A	3A/3E	SL	2S/VS	1A/EC/ EA/EV	CC/FC	2S/VS
12	Non-gazetted Cadre	6 & above	First Class	NE	1	1	1	NE	NE	1	1	1	NE	1	1
13		5	Second Class 'A'	NE	NE	1	1	NE	NE	NE	1	1	NE	NE	1
14		4													
15		3													
16		2													
17		1	Second/ Sleeper Class	NE	NE	NE	1	NE	NE	NE	NE	1	NE	NE	1

Legend:	AE	Additional Entitlement	RE/D	Restricted Entitlement on Duty	NE	Not Entitled	Type of Pass#	Also includes Card/Cheque Pass.
	Gold Pass*	Gold Pass holder is entitled for 1-AC Coupe (i.e. 2 berths) even when travelling alone.						
	AE-I	2 extra berths in 2-AC Class for other eligible family members included in the Pass.						
	AE-II	3 extra berths in 2-AC Class for other eligible family members included in the Pass.						
	AE-III	1 extra berth in 2-AC Class for an eligible family member included in the Pass.						
	RE/D-I	3 extra berths/seats for eligible family members included in the Pass on payment of 1/3rd difference of fare between 1-AC Class and next lower Class of the respective train.						
	RE/D-II	1 extra berth/seat for an eligible family member included in the Pass on payment of 1/3rd difference of fare between 1-AC and next lower Class of the respective train.						
	RE/D-III	4 berths/seats for self and eligible family members included in the Pass on payment of 1/3rd difference of fare between 1-AC Class and next lower Class of the respective train.						
	RE/D-IV	1 extra berth for an eligible family member included in the Pass on payment of 1/3rd difference of fare between 2-AC Class and next lower Class of the respective train.						

NOTE:
1. Travel entitlement in Vande Bharat and Gatimaan Express trains will be of Shatabdi Express type trains
2. Travel entitlement in Humsafar, Special Trains on Special Charges and Suvidha Special Trains will be of Rajdhani Express type of Trains. In case CC/FC Coach is attached to such trains, the entitlement of CC Class of Shatabdi Express type train will be applicable.
3. Travel entitlement in Garib Rath/Jan Shatabdi /Double Decker/Mahamana/Yuva/Antyodaya Express Trains will be of Mail/Express Trains.
4. Travel entitlement in Tejas Express Trains operated by Indian Railways will be as per the type of respective Train i.e. Rajdhani/Shatabdi.
5. Travel entitlement in Anubhuti/Vistadome Coaches will be as per type of Train in which such Coaches are attached.
6. Refer RBE No.68/2017 dated 12.07.2017 for type of Trains.
7. Existing provisions regarding attendant/companion facility shall continue to apply.
8. Family members falling within the definition under Rule-2(d) of Railway Servants (Pass) Rules-1986, as amended from time to time, only are eligible to be included.

Annexure-II to Letter No.2024/E(W)01/09/2 dated 30.10.2026

INTEGRATED TRAVEL ENTITLEMENT ON PRIVILEGE/POST RETIREMENT COMPLEMENTARY/WIDOW PASSES

Sl. No.	Status	Pay Level in Pay Matrix (PLPM)	No. of Passes in a Calendar Year: Privilege Passes	No. of Passes in a Calendar Year: PRCP (after 20 years of qualifying railway service)	Class of Pass	Berth/Seat Entitlement with Class/Booking Codes: Mail/Express Trains: 1-AC	2-AC	3-AC/CC	SL/2S	Rajdhani/Duronto Express Type Trains: 1-AC	2-AC	3-AC	SL	2S	Shatabdi Express Type Trains: EC	CC	2S
						1A/EC/ EA/EV	2A	3A/3E/ CC/FC	SL/2S/ VS	1A/EC/ EA/EV	2A	3A/3E	SL	2S/VS	1A/EC/ EA/EV	CC/FC	2S/VS
1	CRB & Board Members	17	06 Sets	03 Sets	First Class 'A'	2+ RE-I	AEM	AEM	AEM	2	2	4	AEM	AEM	2+RE-II	4	AEM
2	DGs & GMs																
3	GMs & other equivalent Officers	16	06 Sets	03 Sets	First Class 'A'	1+ RE-I	AEM	AEM	AEM	1+ RE-III	2	4	AEM	AEM	2+RE-II	4	AEM
4	HAG Officers (Including NF-HAG)	15	06 Sets	03 Sets	First Class 'A'	RE-IV	AEM	AEM	AEM	RE-V	2	4	AEM	AEM	1+RE-VI	4	AEM
5	SAG Officers (Including NF-SAG)	14															
6	Selection Grade Officers	13	06 Sets	03 Sets	First Class 'A'	RE-IV	AEM	AEM	AEM	RE-V	2	4	AEM	AEM	RE-VII	4	AEM
7	JAG Officers	12															
8	Sr. Scale Officers	11															
9	Other Group A & B Gazetted Officers	10	06 Sets	03 Sets	First Class 'A'	RE-IV	AEM	AEM	AEM	RE-VIII	1	2	AEM	AEM	RE-V	2	AEM
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13	Non-gazetted Cadre	6 and above	01 Set (upto the end of 5 years of railway service) 03 Sets (after completion of 5 years of railway service)	02 Sets	First Class	RE-IX	AEM	AEM	AEM	RE-X	1	2	AEM	AEM	RE-XI	2	AEM
14		5			Second Class 'A'	NE	RE-IX	AEM	AEM	NE	NE	RE-XII*	4	4	NE	NE	AEM
15		4			Second/ Sleeper Class	NE	NE	RE-IX	AEM	NE	NE	NE	RE-XII*	4	NE	NE	AEM
16		3															
17		2															
18		1															
			Upgraded Pass for serving employees in PLPM 4, 3, 2 & 1:- 01 Set of Second Class 'A' Pass in lieu of 01 Set of Second/Sleeper Class Pass even with less than 05 years of railway service.			NE	NE	AEM	AEM	NE	NE	NE	4	4	NE	NE	AEM

Legend:		
	AEM	All Eligible Members included in the Pass [i.e. self, family members & dependent relatives, as defined under Rule 2(c) & (d) and subject to other conditions stipulated in the extant Railway Servants (Pass) Rules-1986, as amended from time to time].
	RE-I	Extra berths/seats for eligible members included in the Pass on payment of 1/3rd difference of fare between 1-AC Class and thenext lower Class of the respective train.
	RE-II	Two extra berths/seats for eligible members included in the Pass on payment of 1/3rd difference of fare between EC Class and the next lower Class of the respective train.
	RE-III	One extra berth/seat for any eligible member included in the Pass on payment of 1/3rd difference of fare between 1-AC Class and the next lower Class of the respective train.
	RE-IV	Berths/seats for AEM on payment of 1/3rd difference of fare between 1-AC Class and the next lower Class of respective train.
	RE-V	Two berths/seats for eligible members included in the Pass on payment of 1/3rd difference of fare between this Class and the next lower Class of the respective train.

Legend:		
	RE-VI	Three extra berths/seats for eligible members included in the Pass on payment of 1/3rd difference of fare between EC Class and the next lower Class of the respective train.
	RE-VII	Four berths/seats for eligible members included in the Pass on payment of 1/3rd difference of fare between EC Class and the next lower Class of the respective train.
	RE-VIII	One berth/seat (for self OR any other eligible members included in the Pass) on payment of 1/3rd difference of fare between 1-AC Class and the next lower Class of respective train.
	RE-IX	Berths/seats for AEM on payment of full difference of fare between this class and the next lower class of the respective train.
	RE-X	One berth/seat (for self OR any other eligible members included in the Pass) on payment of full difference of fare between this class and the next lower class of the respective train.
	RE-XI	Two berths/seats for eligible members included in the Pass on payment of full difference of fare between this class and the next lower class of the respective train.
	RE-XII*	Four berths/seats for eligible members included in the Pass on payment of full difference of fare between this class and the next lower class of Duronto Express type train only and not entitled in Rajdhani Express type train.

RE	Restricted Entitlement	NE	Not Entitled	

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7. Existing provisions regarding attendant/companion facility shall continue to apply.

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No. NFIR/III/MR/2026

Dated: 13th October 2026

The General Secretary,
Indian Railways Technical Supervisors' Association,
Chennai
Dear Brother,

Sub: Annual Conference and Seminar scheduled on 3rd November 2026-reg.

Ref: Your letter no. IRTSA/Org-2/61st Conference dated 2/9/2026.

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I sincerely thank the IRTSA for inviting me to inaugurate its Annual Conference and grace the Seminar as Guest of Honour on 3rd November 2026, and for seeking my goodwill message on this occasion vide your letter under reference.

Unfortunately, due to prior commitments and a programme already scheduled for the day, I regret my inability to attend the conference in person. Nevertheless, I am pleased to convey my warm greetings and best wishes to the Association for the grand success of the Annual Conference and Seminar.

Technical Supervisors constitute an important link between planning and execution in Indian Railways. Their technical expertise, leadership, commitment and close supervision of field activities play a vital role in ensuring operational efficiency, reliability and safety. Their contribution deserves due recognition, and their professional development, career progression and service conditions merit continued attention.

Over the past 61 years, IRTSA has provided a strong platform for Rail Engineers to raise their concerns and pursue the welfare and upliftment of the category. The Federation appreciates the Association's sustained commitment to securing due recognition for the contribution of Technical Supervisors and pursuing their genuine demands. IRTSA's struggles and achievements reflect its perseverance and dedication, and I extend my best wishes for its continued progress and greater achievements in the years ahead.

The Federation firmly believes that close cooperation, coordination and constructive engagement between IRTSA and the recognised Federations are essential for effectively addressing the issues concerning Railway employees. Such collective efforts strengthen representation, facilitate practical solutions to service-related problems and promote unity in pursuing the legitimate interests of Railway Technical Supervisors.

I hope the Annual Conference will provide a valuable platform for constructive discussions on the challenges being faced by the category and for evolving practical suggestions to address them. I trust that the deliberations will further strengthen cooperation, promote professional excellence and contribute to the welfare and career advancement of Railway Technical Supervisors.

I assure NFIR's continued support to IRTSA in its efforts for improving their career and status.

(Dr. M. Raghavaiah)
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Message

It is a matter of great pleasure that; **Indian Railway Technical Supervisors Association(IRTSA)** is holding its **61st All India Conference and Central General Body Meeting at RWF Bangalore on 3rd November, 2026**.

During its 61-year journey since November 1965, IRTSA, established by **Com. Harchandan Singh** under the guidance of late Com. T.N. Bajpai, at Locomotive Workshop, Charbagh, Lucknow, has achieved many of the demands of the Technical Supervisors, having close co-ordination with AIRF over the Indian Railways and maintaining fighting spirit, joined historical strike of 1974 along with the leaders of All India Railwaymen's Federation on the call of NCCRS besides number of All India agitations from time to time for dignity of the middle management, **"Railway Engineers"**, specially their carrier progression and better working conditions.

All India Railwaymen's Federation is in continuous dialogue with the Ministry of Railways, Government of India, on many legitimate demands of the Technical Supervisors and hopeful for better prospects in days to come recognizing their role in establishing Indian Railways as World Class providing better amenities and comfort to public and fastest movement of Goods Traffic besides exporting its Locomotives and Trainsets to a number of countries of the world.

In the recent past; AIRF has achieved Level-8 and 9, which was a long pending demand of IRTSA also. At this historical occasion, one more achievement in AIRF's PNM Meeting, held on 16th -17th September, 2026 is that, **Night Duty Allowance** to Level-8 has been agreed upon by the Railway Board and further additional sanction of Level-6(JE) and Level-7(SSE) posts (1389 and 2819 respectively) has been approved by the Railway Board, which will reduce overburdening of the Technical Supervisors to some extent.

I, on behalf of **All India Railwaymen's Federation**, assure all my Engineer Brothers and Sisters belonging to various Engineering Disciplines that, we will try our level best to impress upon the 8th Central Pay Commission for due place of Rail Engineers of the Indian Railways.

I would request on this occasion to have full faith in **All India Railwaymen's Federation** for future prospects of the Middle Management Rail Engineers, Technical Supervisor over the Indian Railways,

With lots of good wishes for grand success of the 61st Annual Conference and Central General Body Meeting of IRTSA.

(Shiva Gopal Mishra)

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NOTICE FOR 61ST ALL INDIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE & CENTRAL GENERAL BODY MEETING OF IRTSA TO BE HELD AT RWF BANGALORE ON 3RD & 4TH NOVEMBER 2026

- 61ST All India Annual Conference & Central General Body Meeting of Indian Railways Technical Supervisors Association (IRTSA) shall be held at RWF, Bangalore.
- CEC Meeting of IRTSA shall also be held in conjunction thereof, as per following programme.
- All the Members of CGB & CEC, all Zonal / Unit Secretaries IRTSA, are requested to attend the meeting(s) positively, along with other active members and Sub-unit Secretaries of their Zone.

AGENDA OF THE MEETING

1) Inauguration 2) Welcome by Convener & General Secretary 3) Address by President IRTSA 4) a) Report of General Secretary IRTSA b) Report on Account by Treasurer IRTSA 5) Submission made by IRTSA to 8th CPC. 6) Report by Zonal Secretaries & CEC Members 7) Amendments made in Constitution of IRTSA. 8) Open session	9) a) Discussion on the problems of Rail Engineers of Workshops, Production Units, Open Line Depots, Diesel & Electric Loco / EMU Sheds, C&M Labs, Drawing & Design Offices, IT & Store Depots etc. b) Resolutions of Demands. c) Resolution on Line of Action for realization of demands. 10) Election for new CEC. 11) Any other point with the permission of the Chair.

PROGRAMME

1	Flag hoisting	10.00 AM, 3rd November 2026
2	CGB Meeting	10.15 AM to 05.30 PM on 3rd Nov & 10.00 AM to 01.00 PM on 4th Nov
3	Open Session	06.30 PM to 09.00 pm on 3rd Nov
4	Venue	Employees Institute, West Colony, RWF, Yelahanka, Bangalore.
5	CEC Meeting	09.00 PM to 10.00 PM (At the same venue)
6	Accommodation	Arrangements will be informed to the delegates according to the number of participants from each unit & sub unit.
7	Delegation fee	Rs.1000 per Delegate
8	Chief Guests of Open session	Sri. V.Somanna Hon'ble Minister of State for Railways
9	Guest of Honour	Sri. Manoranjan Pradhan, General Manager RWF Sri. M.Ragahvaiah, General Secretary, NFIR Sri. S.G.Mishra, General Secretary, AIRF
10	Chairman, Conference Committee	Er. V.Dayananda Rao, 9108501831
11	Co-Chairman, Conference Committee	Er. S.Ramesh, 9108501858
12	Convener, Conference Committee	Er. Mruthyunjaya Bapat, 9108501825
13	Co Convener, Conference Committee	Er. Srikanthaswamy, 9108501875
14	Treasurer, Conference Committee	Er. K.T.Harish, 9108501598
15	Co-Treasurer Conference Committee	Er. S.Y.Manjunath, 9108501848

- All CEC & CGB Members, Zonal / Unit & Sub-Unit Secretaries are requested to attend positively with other active Members en-mass.
- Complete Membership Drive of IRTSA at the earliest. Send Central Quota by Online Transfer to IRTSA, Account No: 10083429358, IFSC: SBIN0050540 and inform Central Treasurer.
- All Zones and subunits have to submit their membership list with name, working place & contact details.

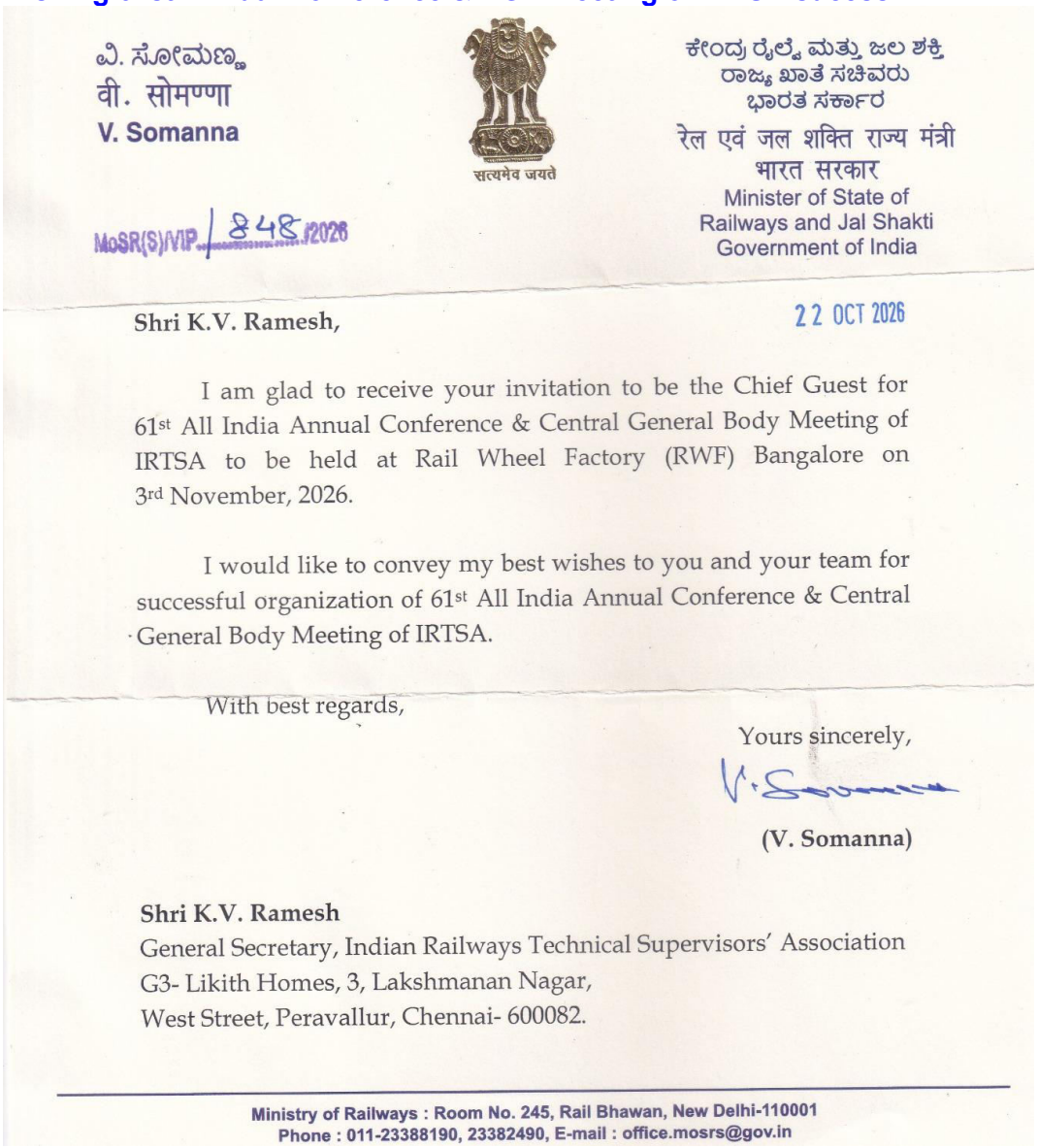
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Yours' fraternally

K.V.RAMESH
General Secretary, IRTSA

Members pay your annual membership subscription and struggle fund every year.
Participate in activities of IRTSA positively.

Shri.V.Somanna Hon'ble MoSR writes to GS IRTSA wishing 61st Annual Conference & CGB Meeting of IRTSA sucess.



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सत्यमेव जयते

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Minister of State of Railways and Jal Shakti Government of India

MoSR(S)/VIP/ 848 /2026

Shri K.V. Ramesh, 22 OCT 2026

I am glad to receive your invitation to be the Chief Guest for 61st All India Annual Conference & Central General Body Meeting of IRTSA to be held at Rail Wheel Factory (RWF) Bangalore on 3rd November, 2026.

I would like to convey my best wishes to you and your team for successful organization of 61st All India Annual Conference & Central General Body Meeting of IRTSA.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,

(V. Somanna)

Shri K.V. Ramesh
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CGB Meeting gains significant importance particularly in the period of 8th CPC.

All Zonal Secretaries, CEC office bearers and active members of IRTSA are requested to participate in large numbers.

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IRRT NOC during vacancy assessment

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employee is working) with corresponding decrease in the Zone/Division/Unit from where the NOC has been received.

3. Suitable modifications in the HRMS Indent Management Module may, therefore, be made to incorporate the above provisions in the vacancy assessment process. The modifications will be non-editable by the Zones/Units.

Train Managers

4. The changes will be effective from Annual recruitment calendar of 2027.

5. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority. ¤

Admissibility of CEA for the children of deceased employees

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not employed in Central Govt, State Govt, Autonomous Body, PSU, semi Govt organisations. CEA shall be payable to the children till such time the employee would have actually received the same, subject to the conditions that other terms and conditions are fulfilled. ¤



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IFSC Code: **SBIN0013065**.
After transfer of fund inform Er.**Y.R.S.Banerjee,** Asst. Central Treasurer, Mob No. **9003149567**.

This CEC account is in addition to account maintained at RCF by Central Treasurer. Zones, sub units & members can deposit their fund in any one of the accounts.

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