GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(RAILWAY BOARD )

RBE NO. 312/99

No. E(W)95PS5-1/29

Rail Bhavan, New Delhi dt. 21.12.99

The General Managers (Commercial/Personnel/Accounts)
All Indian Railways & PUs.
(As per standard list I&II)

Sub: Passes for widows of Railway employees.

As the Railways are aware, in terms of Board's letter No.
E(W)85PS5-8/2 dated 30.06.1987, widows shall not be eligible to the facility of
widow pass, if they become eligible to the pass facilities due to their
son's/daughter's employment on the Railways. Arising out of a demand from
NPR, the matter has been reviewed by the Board and it has been decided that
widows of ex-Railway employees who are dependent on their son/daughter
employed on the Railways, may exercise an option either to avail of pass facility
as a dependent widowed mother by getting their name included in the privilege
pass drawn by their son/daughter or they may draw pass(es) as per their
entitlement under the 'Widow Pass' scheme. However, while considering her as
a dependent widowed mother, the income ceiling limit as fixed from time to time
for 'dependents' as defined in proviso to Clause 2(c) of the Railway Servants
(Pass) Rules, 1986 will be taken into account. The option once exercised shall
be final and irreversible.

2. In view of the above, Schedule V (Widow Pass) of Railway Servants
(Pass) Rules, 1986 may be amended as in the Advance correction Slip No.20
closed.

3. This has the occurrence of Finance Directorate of Ministry of
Railways.

4. Please acknowledge receipt.

(P.N. KUMARAN)
Dy. Director Estt.(Welfare)
Railway Board

DA: As above.

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Add the following under item (ii) (b), Column (3) of Schedule V, after the word 're-marriage'.

"However, the widow may exercise an option either to avail of pass facility as a dependent widowed mother by getting her name included in the privilege pass drawn by her son/daughter or she may draw pass(es) as per her entitlement under the 'widow pass' scheme. Option once exercised shall be final and irreversible."

(Authority Board's letter No. E(W)95PS5-1/29 dated 21-12-99.)