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General Manager,
Chittaranjan Locomotive Works,
Chittaranjan.

Sub: Grant of full sets of Post Retirement Complimentary (PRC) Passes to erstwhile Group ‘D’ staff after 20 years of Railway Service.

Ref:- Your letter No.GMA/Pas/Misc/2014 dated 29.05.2014.

The matter has been examined in consultation with Finance and Pay Commission Directorate. It has been observed that in terms of Board’s letter No. PC VI/2009/I/RSRP/4 dated 08.01.2010, all, the posts carrying GP Rs. 1800 in PB-1 (Rs. 5,200-20,000) have been classified as Group ‘C’ post except persons placed in higher GP/Pay Band under in-situ Promotion Scheme/ACP or MACP Schemes who will continue to retain the classification of their basic posts i.e. Group ‘D’.

Since the said orders dated 08.01.2010, are effective from the date of issue, employees in GP Rs. 1800 retired on or after 08.01.2010 are automatically eligible for PRCP/widow pass as per Group ‘C’ entitlement.

However, the incumbents of erstwhile group “D” post are to be placed in above group “C” scale subject to fulfillment of conditions regarding minimum qualification/retraining. Since, said posts have been upgraded to group “C” with effect from 8.1.2010, group “D” staff retired earlier never held such posts. Accordingly, those retired while holding group “D” scale/posts cannot be treated at par with group “C” employees.

Pursuant to 6th CPC’s recommendations, travel entitlements on Railway Passes have been liberalized on a large scale which has benefited a large number of employees retired or serving. Keeping in view this large scale liberalization, further relaxation of rules i.e. to issue two sets of Post Retirement Complimentary Passes to retired railway employees who were working in Grade Pay of Rs. 1800 at the time of their retirement is not feasible.

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