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The General Manager (P)
All Indian Railways & PUs

Sub: Validity of year-ending Passes.

Ref: Board’s letter of even number dated 31.03.2015.

In terms of standing instructions contained in Board’s above referred letter, year-ending Passes/PTOs should be issued with the validity as prevailing on 31st December of respective calendar year since such year-ending Passes/PTOs are deemed to have been issued latest by that day. Accordingly, the validity period of year-ending Passes of the calendar year 2016 should be for 5 months i.e. upto 30th May, 2017.

2. However, complaints, telephonic queries and RTI applications received in this context from the employees/pensioners/widow pass beneficiaries indicate that in some of the Divisions and Health Units, year-ending Passes are still issued with 4 months validity instead of 5 months.

3. The Railways are, therefore, advised to follow the extant instructions on the validity of year-ending passes scrupulously. Wherever year-ending Passes have been issued with 4 months validity, the same should be revalidated for 5 months i.e. made valid upto 30th May, 2017, if requested by the employee/pensioner/widow pass holder. Complaints in this regard, if received henceforth, would be forwarded to the concerned Railway for fixing responsibility.

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