MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
(RAILWAY BOARD)

No.94/V1/CVC/1/4(Pt.B) New Delhi, dated: 24.05.11

The General Managers
All Indian Railways

Sub: Legality of appointment of RIOs- SLP filed by
NE Railway against the judgment of Hon’ble
High Court, Allahabad.

The High Court/Allahabad had passed an order setting
aside the orders of the DA in a case on the grounds that the
inquiry has been conducted by a retired Inquiry Officer who had
no authority under Rule 9(2) of RS(D&A) Rules 1968 to conduct
such inquiry.

An SLP was filed against the judgment of the High
Court/Allahabad. The Supreme Court, in its judgment dated 16th
April, 2010 have upheld the decision of the Railway to appoint a
retired person to act as an Inquiry Officer under Rule 9(2) of the
RS(D&A) Rules, 1968, to conduct inquiries. The full judgment
is available at 2010 (5) SCC 349.

This is for your information and future guidance.

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