GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS  
(RAILWAY BOARD)

No.2017/V-1/VC/1/1  
New Delhi, dated: 03.2018

The General Managers, All Indian Railway including Production Units.  
The General Managers (Construction)/NF Railway, Guwahati.  
The General Managers, CORE, Allahabad.  
DG/RDSO, Lucknow  
The Sr. Dy. General Managers/CVOs, All Indian Railways/PUs/PSUs  
Director CTIs

Sub: Appointment of retired Railway Officers as Arbitrators—Procedure for obtaining of vigilance clearance thereof.

As per the extant instructions contained in Board’s letter No.95/CE-I/24 dated 12.01.2014 issued vide RB/CE-I/2/2004, clearance is required to be obtained by the Zonal Railway from Railway Board Vigilance in respect of retired Railway Officer willing to work as Arbitrator, prior to his empanelment by the concerned Zonal Railways. Further, these instructions also provide that the panel of Arbitrators is required to be reviewed every year by concerned General Managers in consultation with Railway Board vigilance for addition/deletion of the names, as necessary.

In order to simplify the procedure and avoid undue delay in process, the matter has been reviewed and it has been decided that the vigilance clearance for empanelment of retired officers as an Arbitrator, shall be given by the CVO of the Zonal Railways based on vigilance history available on IRVINS (Indian Railway Integrated Vigilance Information System); the access to which has been given to the CVOs of Zonal Railway/PUs.

However, CVOs of Railway PSUs shall directly communicate with the Vigilance Directorate of Railway Board for obtaining the requisite clearance for empanelment of retired railway officers willing to work as Arbitrators in their respective units.

The latest instructions regarding empanelment of Arbitrators have been issued by the Vigilance Directorate vide their letter No.2018/V-1/VC/1/1 dated 16.03.2018 (RBV No.03/2018) (copy enclosed). This and modifications to the procedure issued from time to time, may be taken cognizance of before appointment of an Arbitrator.

This issues with the approval of PED(Vig.)

DA: As above

(Rajnish Kumar)  
Director Vigilance(M)  
Railway Board

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All Zonal Railways/PUs

The CVOs
All PSUs

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DG RDSO/LKO

CAO/COFMOW
DMW/Patiala

Sub.: Advance Correction Slip No.28

Ministry of Railways (Railway Board) have decided to amend para 702.8 (for Arbitrators) previously amended by Advanced Correction Slip No. 23 of 2017 and para 702.10 (appointment as Consultants etc. in PSUs) of Indian Railway Vigilance Manual (2006 edition) by way of modification, as per Advance Correction Slip No. 28. The amended paras are enclosed for information.

DA: As above

(Rajnish Kumar)
Director Vigilance(M)
Railway Board

Copy to: All officers and Branches of Vigilance Directorate/Railway Board
Para 702.8 of Indian Railways Vigilance Manual as amended by Advanced Correction Slip No. 23 of 2017 (for empanelment of serving/retired officers as Arbitrators) and para 702.10 of Indian Railways Vigilance Manual (appointment of retired officers as Consultants etc in PSUs) may be modified as follows:

Para 702.8: Empanelment of serving/retired Officers as Arbitrator cannot be done for:-

a) Persons borne on current ‘Agreed/Secret’ list
b) Persons involved in any current vigilance/CBI cases or against whom disciplinary or prosecution proceedings are in process
c) Persons who had been imposed a major penalty or two or more minor penalties or against whom administrative action has been taken three times or more or who has been imposed one Minor Penalty and against whom two administrative actions have been taken as a result of vigilance/CBI action while in service on Railways
d) Persons against whom minor penalty has been imposed during the preceding 5 years for serving officers and last 5 years of service for retired Officers
e) Persons against whom administrative action has been taken during the preceding 5 years for serving officers and last 5 years of service for retired Officers
f) If any officer appointed as Arbitrator is subsequently detected to be involved in a Vigilance/CBI case, action will be taken as per extant guidelines
g) The officers working in the Vigilance Organisation should not be considered for appointment as Arbitrators, even if empanelled, as per extant guidelines.
Advanced Correction Slip No. 28


Para 702.10: Appointment of retired officers as Consultants etc in PSUs cannot be done for:

(a) Persons borne on current 'Agreed/Secret' list
(b) Persons involved in any current vigilance/CBI cases or against whom disciplinary or prosecution proceedings are in process
(c) Persons who had been imposed a major penalty or two or more minor penalties or against whom administrative action has been taken three times or more or who has been imposed one Minor Penalty and against whom two administrative actions have been taken as a result of vigilance/CBI action while in service on Railways
(d) Persons against whom minor penalty has been imposed during the preceding 5 years for serving officers and last 5 years of service for retired Officers
(e) Persons against whom administrative action has been taken during the preceding 5 years for serving officers and last 5 years of service for retired Officers
(f) If any officer appointed as Consultant is subsequently detected to be involved in a Vigilance/CBI case, action will be taken as per extant guidelines