



FEDERATION OF RAILWAY OFFICERS' ASSOCIATIONS

President

K. SWAMINATHAN

MTNL 23382741

Secretary General

R.N. SINGH

MTNL 23382852

No. 2017/FROA/Estt./2

Dated 15.02.2017

**Financial Commissioner/Railways,
Railway Board,
Rail Bhawan, New Delhi**

Dear Sir,

Sub:- Unreasonable restrictions on Air travel of SAG & SG officers

Ref:- Dy. Director Finance/Estt.'s letter No. F(E)I/2015/AL-28/23 Dt. 10.12.15.

Your kind attention is invited to the letter under reference (copy enclosed), wherein the Air travel for SAG & above levels has been restricted to economy class by Railway Board suo motu, despite them being entitled for business class as per Government of India's rules. Air travel of SG officers for official purposes has also been restricted to one-way. No such restrictions have been placed by the concerned Ministry ie Ministry of Finance in this regard. It may kindly be appreciated that these restrictions are not considered reasonable in the wake of the fact the MoR has done reasonably well in containing the revenue expenditure despite absorbing the impact of implementation of 7th CPC.

Also, SAG & above officers of all other Ministries travel in business class, whereas senior Railway officers on the same trip are being forced to travel in economy class. This reflects poorly on the image of Ministry of Railways amongst other Ministries and causes unnecessary demoralization of senior officers. Many important issues are handled and monitored by Directors in Railway Board and as such their long absence from office due to longer time spent on train/road travel on account of restrictions on their Air travel, hampers the important works in MoR.

FROA therefore, requests your goodself to kindly revise the current guidelines on the above subject in accordance with the currently applicable entitlements and rules of Government of India.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(R.N. SINGH)

Secretary General

**Government of India / Bharat Sarkar
Ministry of Railways / Rail Mantralaya
(Railway Board)**

RBE No. 154/2015

No. F(E)I/2015/AL-28/23

New Delhi, dated 10.12.2015

The General Managers,
All Indian Railways etc.
(As per Standard Mailing List)


Sub: Entitlement by Air travel.

Ref: Board(FC)'s DO No. 2015-B-235 dated 27.11.2015.

In supersession of Board's letter of even No. dated 03.06.2015, It has been decided by Board to modify existing entitlement of air travel as under:

"No air travel upto JAG. For SG only one-way travel, if required on justification that air journey is unavoidable. In all cases all air travel would be in economy class only."

2. These orders are effective from 27.11.2015.
3. Hindi version will follow.
4. Please acknowledge receipt.


(Sonali Chaturvedi)
Dy. Director Finance (Estt.)
Railway Board

No. F(E)I/2015/AL-28/23

New Delhi, dated 10.12.2015


Copy to Deputy Comptroller and Auditor General of India (Railways), Room No.222,
Rail Bhavan, New Delhi (40 spares).


For Financial Commissioner/Railways.

No. F(E)I/2015/AL-28/23

New Delhi, dated 10.12.2015

Copy forwarded to FA&CAO, All Indian Railways, Production Units etc.


(Sonali Chaturvedi)
Dy. Director Finance (Estt.)
Railway Board

Contd./...