

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

No.2019/E(LR)III/SBE/1.

New Delhi, dt ²⁰.02.2020

Principal Chief Personnel Officers,
All Zonal Railways &
Metro Railway, Kolkata.

Sub: "Secret Ballot Election (for short, 'SBE-2020)" for verification of membership of Trade Unions (i.e.TUs) in order to grant them recognition on Zonal Railways - reg. "Final Modalities-2019".

Ref: Railway Board's letter of even No. dated 26.6.2019, 16.08.2019, 28.01.2020 and 10.2.2020.

Para 17(a) of the Final Modalities(circulated vide referred letters) for holding of Secret Ballot Elections for recognition of Trade Unions in Indian Railways -2019 states that:

"(a) Under overall superintendence/control of the Returning Officer, the Presiding Officers shall have the absolute discretion in determining the number and location of polling booths to be set up under her/his jurisdiction over Zonal Railway concerned. Booths will be decided by striking an optimum balance between administrative requirements/compulsions and voters' concerns."

2. Moreover, Note under item (g) of Para 03 of Board's letter of even number dated 26.06.2019 read with Para 7(a) of the Modalities states that:

"Note: Only those Railway Servants whose names are borne on the Voters' list of a particular booth shall be eligible to vote at that particular polling booth."

3. Further to this, instructions have been issued vide Board's letter of even number dated 28.01.2020 directing all PCPOs for updating and publication of final Voters' List.

4. Therefore, Zonal Railways are directed that Voters' List should be prepared and uploaded booth-wise so that each voter is able to locate his booth as well as his name in the Voters' List well in advance.


20/1/2020
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