

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS  
(RAILWAY BOARD)**

RBE NO. 157/2005

No. F(E)I/2005/AL-28/7

New Delhi, dt. 2-9-2005

The General Managers (P)  
All Indian Railways/PUs  
(As per Standard Mailing List-I)

Sub: Journeys by Air – Audit Objection – Regarding.

During the course of an Audit Inspection, it has been pointed out that Zonal Railways approach Board's Office for post-facto sanctions to the expenditure already incurred by them beyond their powers/limits for air travel.

2. The matter has been reviewed and it has been decided that henceforth no proposal for post facto sanction, save in exceptional cases, will be entertained. It is, therefore, desired that prior approval of the Board for undertaking air journey in respect of non entitled officers may be sought/obtained and that too only in cases of extreme urgency where saving of public time is necessary in the administrative interest, with the personal approval of General Manager & concurrence of the FA&CAO. In this connection, attention is also invited to Para 1636(6) of IREC (Vol.II) and Office Order No. 46 of 2003 circulated under letter No.F(E)I/2003/AL-28/7 dt. 16.9.2003.

3. Please acknowledge receipt.

  
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Dy. Director Finance (Estt.)  
Railway Board.

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For Financial Commissioner/Railways