

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA/भारत सरकार  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS/रेल मंत्रालय  
(Railway Board) रेलवे बोर्ड

S.No. PC-VII/ 162  
No.PC-V/2017/A/TA (E)

RBE No. 104/2020  
New Delhi, dated 03-12-2020

The General Managers (P),  
All Indian Railways & PUs  
(As per mailing list)

Sub: Clarification regarding admissibility of Transport Allowance  
during Nation-wide Lockdown due to Covid-19 pandemic.

References/ queries have been received from various Zonal Railways/PUs seeking clarification regarding admissibility of Transport Allowance to the employees who could not attend their offices during nation-wide Lockdown period. On this matter Ministry of Finance/Department of Expenditure vide their OM No. 21/3/2020-E.II (B) dated 01-12-2020 have issued necessary clarification, a copy of which is forwarded herewith for information and compliance. These instructions shall apply mutatis-mutandis on the Railways also.

2. This issues with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of Ministry of Railways.

DA: As above.

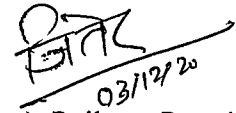


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03/12/20

For Member (Finance), Railway Board

No.21/3/2020-E.II (B)  
Government of India  
Ministry of Finance  
Department of Expenditure  
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North Block, New Delhi.  
Dated the 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2020.

OFFICE MEMORENDUM

**Subject: Clarification regarding admissibility of Transport Allowance during Nation-wide Lockdown due to COVID-19 pandemic.**

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department's O.M. No. 21/5/2017-E.II(B) dated 07.07.2017 regarding grant of Transport Allowance to Central Government employees wherein conditions have been mentioned regarding admissibility of Transport Allowance.

2. Several references are being received in this Department seeking clarification regarding admissibility of Transport Allowance during nation-wide Lockdown from 23<sup>rd</sup> March to 20<sup>th</sup> April and further upto 20<sup>th</sup> May 2020 due to COVID-19 pandemic, as during this period various employees could not attend their offices.
3. The matter has been considered in this Department and the following is clarified:
  - i. Transport Allowance is granted to Central Government employees to compensate them for the cost incurred on account of commuting between residence and office. The Central Government employees, who could not attend office in a whole calendar month during Lockdown period, are not eligible to draw Transport Allowance for that month as these employees had not incurred any expenditure for commuting office.
  - ii. The Central Government employees, who could not attend office and worked from home in a whole calendar month, are not eligible to draw Transport Allowance for that month as these employees had not incurred any expenditure for commuting office.
  - iii. Physically disabled employees and pregnant women employees who were exempted to attend office and were directed to work from home during exempted period as per instructions issued by DOP&T, are not eligible to draw Transport Allowance during exemption period as these employees have not incurred any expenditure for commuting office.
  - iv. The non-entitled officers/officials, who are temporarily provided with facility of official car for commuting between office and residences throughout the whole calendar month on account of non-availability of public transport facility due to COVID-19 pandemic, are also not eligible to draw Transport Allowance.
4. This is issued with the approval of the Secretary (Expenditure).

Hindi version is attached.



(Nirmala Dev)

Deputy Secretary to the Government of India

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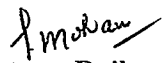
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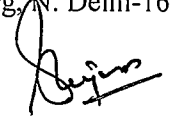
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