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MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS  
(RAILWAY BOARD)**

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**New Delhi, Dated 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2005**

**The General Managers(P),  
All Zonal Railways including CLW, DLW,  
ICF, RWF, RCF, Metro/Kolkata.**

**The CAO(R), DMW, Patiala.  
DG, RDSO, Lucknow.**

**Sub: Irregularities in recruitment of sportspersons against sports quota.**

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It has come to the notice that Zonal Railways and Production Units are not following strictly the norms and procedure laid down for recruitment of sports persons against sports quota.

While investigating a case, vigilance has observed that a Zonal Railway has granted lower age relaxation to two sports persons for recruitment against Open Advertisement, whereas existing norms do not permit any age relaxation in the case of recruitment through Open Advertisement. In the same case the Recruitment Committee, in their final note, pointed out that the two persons were underage, but considering their performance, they should be recruited against the Talent Scouting Quota. The recommendation was accepted without referring the case to Board for age relaxation.

In view of above, it is advised that all Zonal Railways and Production Units should strictly follow the norms and procedure laid down for recruitment of sportspersons against sports quota, both through Open Advertisement and Talent Scouting and scrutiny of applications should be done thoroughly for all the eligibility criteria, including age, educational qualification and sports achievements.

In case of any clarification on recruitment norms, that should be sought from Railway Board before implementation.

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ii) JDV/A&P w.r.t. note No. 2005/V4/PNL/21 dated 20/22.07.2005 for information.