

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

No. E(GP)2018/2/31

New Delhi, dt: 30-09-2020

The General Managers,
All Indian Railways & Production Units

(Kind attn.: PCPOs/CPOs/PFAs)

Sub.: Holding of Centralised Computer based examinations for 70% Selections and 30% LDCEs for promotion to Group 'B' posts in the Organized departments.

The Selections and Limited Departmental Competitive Examinations (LDCEs) for promotion to Group 'B' Posts are presently conducted by the respective Zonal Railways/Production Units in terms of Recruitment Rules, provisions contained in the IREM VO.I and instructions issued by the Board. It is now proposed to hold **Centralized Computer based Objective type examinations** for these 70% Selections and 30% LDCEs in the 07 departments (except Accounts) having organized services w.e.f. vacancy cycle commencing from 1/1/2021. The modalities for the new examination pattern are under examination in Board's office. However, in the meantime, in order to ensure smooth transition, the following course of action may be taken with immediate effect:

- i) All fresh 70% Selections and 30% LDCEs for promotion to Group 'B' posts will be conducted as per the new examination pattern for which detailed instructions will follow.
- ii) All 70% Selections which have been initiated but where the written examination is yet to be conducted should not be proceeded with.
- iii) 70% Selections which are in progress i.e. where written examinations have already been conducted or where main Selection has been conducted but Supplementary Selection is yet to be conducted may be proceeded with and finalized as per existing procedure.
- iv) In cases where 70% Selections have been finalized but corresponding 30% LDCE is yet to be held, the same should be finalized as per the extant procedure immediately.
- v) The vacancies pertaining to previous vacancy cycles, if any, shall be bunched and filled up along with the vacancies assessed for the vacancy cycle beginning from 1/01/2021 through the new examination pattern in terms of instructions contained in

Board's letter no E(GP)81/1/18 dated 9/04/1981 & 04/09/1982 also included as Para 15 in the Master Circular no.68 updated in July, 2019.

vi) Similarly, vacancy cycles shall also be synchronized so as to commensurate with the new vacancy cycle beginning from 1.1.2021.

2. Please acknowledge receipt of this letter.


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