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विषय/Sub :Admissibility of option for FMA to Widowed / Divorced /
Unmarried Daughters in receipt of Family Pension -
Clarification

A copy of Railway Board's letter No. PC-V/2022/A/Med/2(FMA)(E) dated 27.10.2022 on the above subject is enclosed for information guidance and necessary action.

Southern Railway's letter dated 03/04.08.2021 referred therein is enclosed for reference.

Encl.03 pages.


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MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS/रेल मंत्रालय
(Railway Board) रेलवे बोर्ड

No. PC-V/2022/A/Med/2(FMA)(E)

New Delhi, dated 27-10-2022

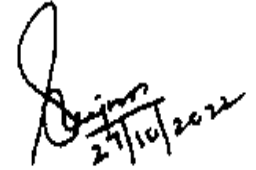
The General Manager,
Southern Railway,
Chennai.

[Attn: Shi R Aaivu, CPO/Admn/SR]

Sub: Admissibility of option for FMA to Widowed/Divorced/Unmarried
Daughters in receipt of Family Pension.

Ref: Southern Railway's letter No. P(R)64/P/FMA dated 03/04-8-2021.

The matter referred vide Southern Railway's letter cited above has been examined in consultation with Health Directorate. It has been observed that as per extant instructions a railway pensioner/ family pensioner is entitled to opt for FMA, if he/she is eligible for RELHS. It has further been observed that widowed/divorced/unmarried daughters in receipt of family pension are not eligible for RELHS. In view of this position, widowed/divorced/unmarried daughters in receipt of family pension are not entitled to opt for FMA.



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सं/No: P(R)64/P/FMA

सचिव(प्र) /The Secretary (E),
रेलवे बोर्ड/Railway Board,
नई दिल्ली /New Delhi.

विषय /Sub: Grant of Fixed Medical Allowance to unmarried/widowed/
divorced dependent daughters and dependent invalid children
of Railway employees in receipt of Family Pension.

संदर्भ /Ref: Railway Board's letter Nos.
i) PV-V/98/I/7/1 dated 21.04.1999 (RBE 65/99)
ii) PC-V/2011/A/Med/1 dated 07.07.2014 (RBE 69/2014)
iii) RTI reply MORLY/R/E/21/01390 & 01391 (part) dt. 10.04.2021

Railway Board vide reference (ii) cited above, had advised that the widowed/divorced/
unmarried daughters in receipt of Family Pension, being family pensioner, are already covered by
relevant instructions and may be extended benefit of grant of FMA, provided they fulfill all other
terms and conditions in this regard.

Railway Board vide reference (i) cited above had advised that grant of FMA will be subject to
the condition that the concerned pensioners/ family pensioners are eligible for medical facilities
after retirement under any of the existing health care schemes in the Railways, though, actual
enrolment shall not be a pre-requisite.

In terms of Chapter VI Section B – Sub section (11) Paras 612(A)(2) & (3) of IRMM the
eligibility conditions are specified as under:

(Para 2) Eligibility: Minimum 20 years of qualifying service in the Railways will be necessary
for joining the scheme and following categories of persons will be eligible to join the same:

(i) All serving Railway employees desirous of joining the scheme will be eligible to join it in
accordance with the procedure laid down herein under "Mode of joining";

(ii) All retired Railway employees who were members of the old RELHS will automatically
Be included in the RELHS 97;

(iii) Spouse of the Railway employee who dies in harness

These orders are not applicable to those Railway servants who quit service by resignation.

(Para 3) Family / Dependents:

Definition of 'family' for the purpose of this scheme will be the same as in respect of the
Serving Railway employees. The definition of "dependant" will be the same as in the Pass
Rules.

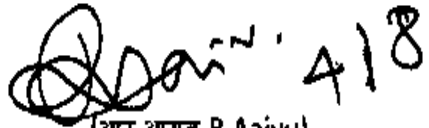
It may kindly be seen that in terms of the above provisions, the unmarried/ widowed/ divorced dependent daughters and dependent invalid children of Railway employees, though in receipt of Family Pension, are not eligible to join the scheme after the demise of their parents. As long as their parents are alive, they can be included as dependent family members in RELHS to avail medical facilities. Thus, the unmarried/ widowed/ divorced dependent daughters and dependent invalid children of Railway employees, may not fulfill the condition laid down in Board's letter dated 21.04.99 cited above.

Further, in a RTI query, Railway Board vide letter at reference (iii) above, have clarified that there is no provision in the Railway Servants (Pass) Rules, 1986 (Second Edition -1993) for extending Pass facility to any person, after demise of the Railway Servant and his/ her spouse, copy enclosed for ready reference.

Therefore, Railway Board is requested to clarify whether the unmarried/ widowed/ divorced dependent daughters and dependent invalid children of Railway employees, in receipt of Family Pension after demise of the Railway servant and his/her spouse are eligible to join RELHS and to claim FMA or otherwise.

This issues with the approval of PCPO.

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