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**दक्षिण रेलवे Southern Railway**  
**प्रधान मुख्य कार्मिक अधिकारी कार्यालय**  
**Office of the Principal Chief Personnel Officer**  
**प्रधान कार्यालय, कार्मिक विभाग, चेन्नै-600003**  
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**विषय/Sub:Filling up of vacancies of ALP through 50% Departmental  
Promotion Quota – clarification on allowing additional  
chances for qualifying the Aptitude Test in the same  
selection.**

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A copy of the Railway Board's letter No.E(NG)/2025/PM1/11 dated 04.08.2025 on the above subject is enclosed for information, guidance, and necessary action.

Railway Board's letters RBE No. 12/2019 and RBE No. 61 / 2019 referred to therein have been circulated as PBC No. 06 / 2019 and PBC No. 89 / 2019.

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**सहायक कर्मचारी संबंधी अधिकारी/Asst Personnel Officer / IR & Trg.**  
**कृते प्रमुकाधि/For Principal Chief Personnel Officer**

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IT Section/PB/HQ - to upload in the SR website.

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(रेलवे बोर्ड/RAILWAY BOARD)

No. E(NG)/2025/PM1/11

New Delhi, dated 04.08.2025

The General Manager (P),  
All Zonal Railways and PUs etc.,  
(As per standard list)

**Sub: Filling up of vacancies of ALP through 50% Departmental Promotion Quota-clarification on allowing additional chances for qualifying the Aptitude Test in the same selection.**

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It has been brought to the Board's notice that instructions on the above subject matter need clarity as to whether the maximum three chances allowed to qualify the Aptitude Test in the said selection are to be availed in the same selection or in a fresh selection. The issue has been examined in Board's office and it is advised that the instructions contained in *RBE NO. 12/2019 & 61/2019* and the circumstances involved leading to the decision, do not foresee the additional chances to be given in the same selection.

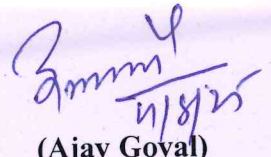
2. Therefore, it is clarified that a candidate who fails in an Aptitude Test in the first attempt, may be allowed up to a maximum of three chances to appear in the Aptitude test again after a gap of three months only with respect to a **fresh Selection** for the same category. The additional chances to attempt at qualifying the Aptitude Test are not for the same selection for which the candidate failed to pass the Aptitude Test in his first attempt even though he may have passed the relevant written examination.

3. It is also clarified, as a corollary to this, that after availing a maximum of three chances in three different selections for the same category at the Aptitude Test and on not qualifying it the candidate will not be eligible to appear in any further selection for that category again.

4. These instructions are to be implemented in the manner prescribed.

Please acknowledge the receipt.

Hindi version will follow

  
5/8/25

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