

Travelling Allowance Rules: RBE No.82/1998 – w.e.f. 01.10.1997
No.F(E)I/98/AL-28/9, dated 24.04.1998

Sub: Travelling Allowance Rules - Implementation of the recommendations of the Fifth Central Pay Commission-Journeys on Tour.

1. In Pursuance of the decision taken by the Government on recommendations of the Fifth Central Pay Commission relating to Travelling Allowance entitlements, sanction of the President is conveyed to the modifications in the Railway Travelling Allowance Rules (contained in Chapter 16-R.II) as set out in the Annexure to this letter so far as they apply to Railway employees belonging to Group A, B, C and D.
2. The term 'pay' for the purpose of these orders refers in the revised scales of pay promulgated under the Railway Services (Revised Pay) Rules, 1997. In the case of employees who opt to retain the pre-revised scales of pay, the term 'pay' will include, besides pay in pre-revised pay scales of pay, DA and Interim Relief at the rates applicable under the orders in force prior to 01.01.1996.
3. These orders take effect from 1st October, 1997. However, if the regulation of Travelling Allowance entitlements in terms of the existing entitlements now prescribed results in a lowering of the existing entitlement in the case of any individual, groups or classes of employees, the entitlements, particularly, in respect of Daily Allowance/ Road Mileage Allowance etc., shall not be lowered. They will instead continue to be governed by the earlier orders on the subject till such time as they become eligible, in the normal course, for the higher entitlement. The entitlements to Daily Allowance/ Road Mileage Allowance in respect of journeys performed between 1st January, 1996 and 30th September, 1997 will be regulated in accordance with the orders contained in Rule 1607(5)-R.II (1990 Edn.) and F(E)I/92/AL-8/4, dated 12.02.1992 (RBE No.26/1992).
4. Employees who had undertaken tours between October 1, 1987 and the date of issue of these revised orders and whose TA claims have been settled with the reference to their existing entitlements may also be permitted to submit supplementary claims based on their revised entitlements and draw the arrears on this account.

ANNEXURE

1. **Revised Classification of Railway employees in pay ranges:**

In supersession of Rule 1602(E)-R.II (1990 Edn.) the grouping of pay ranges are revised as follows with effect from 01.10.1997:

- (i) Rs.16400 and above.
- (ii) Rs.8000 and above but less than Rs.16400
- (iii) Rs.6500 and above but less than Rs.8000
- (iv) Rs.4100 and above but less than Rs.6500
- (v) Below Rs.4100

2. **Accommodation entitlements for journeys on Tour:**

(A) **Mileage allowance for Journey by Air:**

The entitlement for journeys by Air on duty (tour) will continue to be governed vide Rule 1636-R.II (1990 Edn.).

In the case of International travel, officers of and above the level of Secretaries to the Government of India and equivalent status, shall be entitled to travel by first class, officers of the level of Additional Secretaries and Joint Secretaries and of equivalent status by Business/ Club Class, and all other officers by Economy Class.

(B) **Mileage allowance for Journeys by Sea or by River Steamer:**

The general entitlements for journeys by sea or by river steamer are revised as indicated below with effect from 01.10.1997:

Pay Range	Entitlement
Officer drawing pay of	
Rs.8000 and above	Highest class
Rs.6500 and above but less than Rs.8000	If there be two classes only on the Steamer, the lower class
Rs.4100 and above but less than Rs.6500	If there be two classes only on the Steamer, the lower class
	If there be three classes, the middle or the second class
	If there be four classes, the third class
Less than Rs.4100	The lowest class

Accommodation entitlements for travel between the main land and the Andaman & Nicobar Group of islands and the Lakshadweep Group of islands by ships operated by the Shipping Corporation of India Limited will be as follows:

Pay Range (1)	Entitlement (2)
Officer drawing pay of	
Rs.8000 and above	Deluxe Class
Rs.6500 and above but less than Rs.8000	First/ 'A' Cabin Class
Rs.4100 and above but less than Rs.6500	Second/ 'B' Cabin Class
Less than Rs.4100	Bunk Class

(C) **Mileage allowance for Journey by Road:**

In partial modification of Rule 1607(5)-R.II (1990 Edn.) and the Government of India's Decisions there under, the pay ranges for travel by public bus/ auto rickshaw/ scooter/ motorcycle, full taxi/ own car is revised as indicated below:

Pay Range (1)	Entitlement (2)
(i) Rs.18400 and above	Actual fare by any type of public bus, including air- conditioned bus
	OR
	At prescribed rates for AC taxi when the journey is actually performed by AC taxi
	OR
	At prescribed rates for auto rickshaw for journeys by auto rickshaw, own scooter/ motorcycle, Moped, etc.
(ii) Rs.8000 and above but less than Rs.18400	Same as at (i) above with the exception that journeys by AC taxi will not be permissible
(iii) Rs.6500 and above but less than Rs.8000	Same as at (ii) above with the exception that journeys by air conditioned bus will not be permissible
(iv) Rs.4100 and above but less than Rs.6500	Actual fare by any type of public bus other than air conditioned bus;
	OR
	At prescribed rates for auto rickshaw for journeys by auto rickshaw, own scooter/ motorcycle, moped, etc.
(v) Less than Rs.4100	Actual fare by ordinary public bus only;
	OR

At prescribed rates for auto rickshaw, own scooter/ motorcycle, moped, etc.

Mileage allowance for road journeys shall be regulated at the following rates in places where no specific rates have been prescribed either by the Director of Transport or the concerned State or of the neighbouring States:

- (i) For journeys performed in own car/ taxi - Rs.8 per km.
- (ii) For journeys performed by auto rickshaw own scooter, etc. - Rs.4 per km.

(D) Mileage Allowance for journeys on foot and bicycle:

In partial modification of Note (1) below Rule 1607-R.II (1990 Edn.) the rate of Mileage Allowance for journeys on foot and bicycle, on tour and transfer is revised to 60 paise per kilometre with effect from 1st October, 1997.

Daily Allowance

In supersession of Rule 1611-R.II (1990 Edn.) & Board's letter No.F(E)I/92/AL-8/4, dated 12.02.1992 (RBE No.26/1992), the grouping of pay ranges and the rates of Daily Allowance are revised as follows with effect from 1st October, 1997, subject to the existing conditions:-

- (a) When the Railway servant stays in Government/ Public Sector Guest House or makes his own arrangements:

Pay Range	Localities other than those mentioned in columns (3), (4) & (5)	'B' Class cities and expensive* localities	'A' Class cities and specifically expensive* localities	A-1 class cities
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Rs.16400 and above	135	170	210	260
Rs.8000 and above but less than Rs.16400	120	150	185	230
Rs.6500 and above but less than Rs.8000	105	130	160	200
Rs.4100 and above but less than	90	110	135	170

Rs.6500				
Below Rs.4100	55	70	85	105

(*) as specified by Govt. from time to time.

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