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The Member Staff,  
Railway Board,  
New Delhi

Dear Sir,

**Sub: Appointment of wards of railway employees working in the Safety Category posts under LARSGESS – Clarification regarding**

**Ref: Board's letter No.E(P&A) I-2011/RT-6 dated 11.03.2013**

The staff working in the Safety Categories posts, as indicated in the list annexed with Railway Board's letter No.E(P&A)I-2010/RT-2 dated 11.09.2010, can seek Voluntary Retirement under LARSGESS, and their wards are to be recruited under this scheme, provided they have 20 years of qualifying service and fulfill other conditions prescribed therein. The zonal railways were implementing these instructions in letter and spirit, and all those railway employees seeking Voluntary Retirement on completion of 20 years of qualifying service were being extended the benefit of the LARSGESS.

On a reference made by another Federation, Railway Board have issued an unwarranted for clarification prescribing the condition of 20 years' qualifying service in the specified Safety Categories, which of course, is being misinterpreted by the zonal railways, and an employee who have though completed 20 years of qualifying service in different Safety Categories, but not in a single Safety Category, are being denied the benefit of LARSGESS, which is highly unfair and unjustified.

The Board are, therefore, requested to withdraw their letter under reference, so that there is no unnecessary confusion created on zonal railways while implementing LARSGESS, and the practice in vogue, being followed till issuance of the said letter, is continued.

An early action in the matter is solicited.

Yours faithfully,

(Shiva Gopal Mishra)  
General Secretary

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