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Government of India (Bharat Sarkar)
Ministry of Railways (Rail Mantralaya)
(Railway Board)

RBE No. 67/2015

No. E (NG)-II/2010/RR-1/17.

New Delhi, dated: 16.06.2015

The General Manager (P),
All Zonal Railways/Production Units, CORE/Allahabad,
MTP/Kolkata, Chennai, Mumbai,
CAO (R), DMW/Patiala, COFMOW/New Delhi,
Director General, RDSO/Lucknow & NAIR/Vadodra,
Director, IRISSET/Secundrabad, IRICEN/Pune, IRIEEN/Nasik &
IRIM&EE/Jamalpur and Chairmen/Railway Recruitment Boards.

Sub: Recognition of qualification acquired through distance learning mode from Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), New Delhi Diploma/Degrees – Acceptance for purpose of employment on the railways.

Ref: Letter No. 2002/AC-II(CC)/37/8 dated 17/11/2004 and No. 2002/AC-II(CC)/37/8(Vol.I) dated 24/9/2012.

Minimum educational qualification for open market recruitment to the category of Junior Engineer (Information Technology), has been prescribed in terms of instructions referred to above.

An issue has been raised by one of Railway Recruitment Boards whether qualification of Bachelor in Computer Application (BCA) obtained from Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), New Delhi through distance learning mode is acceptable for employment on the railways, in lieu of qualification prescribed for the post of Junior Engineer (IT) vide letters ibid.

The issue has been examined in consultation with Accounts and C&IS Directorates of this Ministry. It has been decided by the Board that qualification of BCA obtained through distance mode cannot be accepted in lieu of the minimum qualification prescribed for the post of Junior Engineer (IT).

Please acknowledge receipt.

(This disposes of RRB/Kolkata's letter No. RRB/KOL/JAA/SRC/ECRC/16/Pt.I dated 19/12/2014)


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