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The Chairman & CEO,
Railway Board,
New Delhi

Dear Sir,

Sub: General Departmental Competitive Examination (GDCE) for filling up 25% of the Direct Recruitment Quota Vacancies – Reg.

**Ref.: (i) Railway Board's letter No.E(NG)/2001/PM2/12 dated 21.01.2002
(ii) Railway Board's letter No.E(NG)1/2023/PM1/12 dated 20.06.2023
(iii) Railway Board's letter No.E(NG)1/2023/PM1/12 dated 14.07.2023**

Pursuant to the discussion in AIRF's PNM; instructions were issued vide Railway Board's letter dated 21.01.2002 referred to above, delegating powers to the GMs to fill vacancies through GDCE, up to the limit of 50% D.R. Quota vacancies, in order to expedite filling up of vacancies in essential categories as well as to expedite redeployment of the surplus staff.

It was also decided to permit Workshop and Production Unit Staff to appear for the GDCE for Asstt. Loco Pilot who fulfill eligibility conditions. Instructions were reiterated vide RBE No.101/2014 to invoke Railway Board's instructions dated 21.01.2002, as and when required, to fill up the vacancies with personal approval of the GMs.

In recent letters of the Railway Board dated 20.06.2023 and 14.07.2023 these dispensation of 50% filling up of vacancies and consideration of Workshop/Production Unit Staff are not incorporated, which will adversely impact the promotional prospects of the staff.

Moreover, GDCE Notification, as per schedule given in Railway Board's letter dated 20.06.2023, was supposed to be issued on 15.07.2023, but it is yet to notify on the website.

AIRF, therefore, urges that the time schedule, prescribed, be strictly adhered and Railway Board's instructions dated 21.01.2002 should also be complied with in true spirit.

An early action in the matter shall be highly appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

(Shiva Gopal Mishra)
General Secretary

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