

**Grant of Dearness Allowance to Railway employees – Revised Rates  
effective from 01.01.2019**

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA (BHARAT SARKAR)  
Ministry of Railways (Rail Mantralaya)  
(Railway Board)

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The General Manager/CAOs(R),  
All India Railways & Production Units,  
(As per mailing list)

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The undersigned is directed to refer to this Ministry's letter RBE No. 132/2018 dated 10.09.2018 (F.No.PC-VII/2016/1/7/2/1) on the subject mentioned above and to say that the President is pleased to decide that the Dearness Allowance payable to Railway employees shall be enhanced from the existing rate of 9% to 12% of the basic pay with effect from 1st January, 2019.

2. The term 'basic pay' in the revised pay structure means the pay drawn in the prescribed Level in the Pay Matrix as per 7th CPC recommendations accepted by the Government, but does not include any other type of pay like special pay, etc.
3. The Dearness Allowance will continue to be distinct element of remuneration and will not be treated as pay within the ambit of Rule 1303 (FR 9(21)), Indian Railway Establishment Code, Volume —II (Sixth Edition — 1987) — Second Reprint 2005.
4. The payment on account of Dearness Allowance involving fractions of 50 paise and above may be rounded to the next higher rupee and the fractions of less than 50 paise may be ignored.
5. The payment of arrears of Dearness Allowance (from January to March) shall not be made before the date of disbursement of salary of March, 2019.
6. This issues with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of Ministry of Railways.

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(Jaya Kumar G)  
Deputy Director, Pay Commission-VII  
Railway Board