## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAY (RAILWAY BOARD

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General Managers, All Indian Railways (including Production Units), Chief Medical Officer, Konkan Railway Corpn Ltd., C.B.D. Belapur, Navi Mumbai; and Director General, RDSO, Lucknow.

Subject: Clarification of regarding chronic diseases in relation to Fixed Medical Allowance @Rs.100/- granted to Railway Pensioners.

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As per Board's letter No.PC/V/98/1/7/1/1 dated 21.4.99 a fixed medical allowance @Rs.100/per month is granted to the Railway Pensioners/family Pensioners who are residing beyond 2.5 kms. From Railway Hospital/Health Unit/Dispensary. This fixed medical allowance is given to meet day to day medical expenses. They are not entitled to receive outdoor treatment from Health Unit/Railway Hospital etc. except in cases of Chronic Diseases.

Arising out of demand in the DC/JCM September, 2006, the definition of Chronic disease and some illness which are to be treated as Chronic ones are hereby stated.

Any disease which persists for a period of approximately three months or more is defined as a chronic disease. Some of the common illness, which are treated as chronic diseases are given below:

- 1. Arthritis and related conditions.
- 2. Cardiovascular disease.
- 3. Cancer of any part of body.
- 4. Diabetes mellitus.
- 5. Epilepsy disorders.
- 6. Obesity/chronic weight loss.
- 7. Tuberculosis.
- 8. AIDS.
- 9. Oral Health Problem.
- 10. Chronic skin disorders.

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