

INDIAN RAILWAYS TECHNICAL SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION

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No. IRTSA/CHQ/CEC/ 2017-2

Dated 1-8-2017

All CEC Members IRTSA & All Zonal and Unit / Subunit Secretaries IRTSA

Dear Brother Engineers,

Sub: LINE OF ACTION FOR PURSUANCE DEMANDS - ADOPTED BY CEC IRTSA AT CHANDIGARH ON 28.07.2017

1. CEC IRTSA met at Chandigarh on 28th July, 2017, and had detailed discussions on the position of main demands of the Technical Supervisors / Engineers on the Railways. Central President and the General Secretary & Sr. JGS IRTSA apprised the members about all the efforts put in by IRTSA in the recent past for pursuing the Main Demands through Administrative, political and in the Courts of Law. Some progress has been made in recent past but the efforts have to be intensified further to achieve the demands.

Minutes of CEC Meeting are being placed on the Website of IRTSA, www.irtsa.net . I mention here below the main points for wide publicity and immediate effective action by you all.

2. CEC noted that, after years of persuasions by IRTSA, the Railway Board / MOR had made some helpful recommendations to the Ministry of Finance / DOE etc. for approval – including the proposal to the Empowered Committee to up-grade 75% posts of SSE to Grade Pay of Rs.4800. Even though these proposals were short of the demands of IRTSA but can provide some relief to the category pending acceptance of main demands since all the proposals made by the MOR have not yet been approved by the MOF (DOE). It was therefore, imperative that effective steps are taken to get some early relief.

3. LINE OF ACTION ADOPTED BY CEC: CEC IRTSA, after due consideration of all related aspects, resolved to observe the following line of action for pursuance of Main demands:

1. MASS-MOBILIZATION & SIGNATURE CANPAIGN WITH AN APPEAL TO RAILWAY MINISTER FOR INTERVENTION – 7TH AUGUST TO 22ND AUGUST, 2017:

CEC Resolved and directed all Units & Subunits of IRTSA to immediately launch Mass mobilization with a Signature campaign by the Engineers on a Mass Appeal (attached herewith) urging Railway Minister to intervene to pursue Minister of Finance (MOF) (Dept. of Expenditure) for approval of following main and very genuine demands of Engineers on the Railways.

- i) Classification of Senior Technical Supervisors on Railways in Group 'B' Gazetted for greater efficiency, higher productivity and safety on the Railways.
- ii) JEs in Railways be placed in Pay Level 8 and the SSE be placed in the Pay Level 10
- iii) Pending decision on item ii) above, Ministry of Finance (Dept. of Expenditure) may please again be urged to approve the following proposals submitted by the Railway Board:
 - a) Up-gradation of posts of JEs (Junior Engineers) from Grade Pay of Rs. 4200 to Rs. 4600 and up-gradation of posts of SSE (Senior Section Engineers) from Grade Pay of Rs. 4600 to Grade Pay of Rs.4800 as per decision of the Departmental Anomalies Committee - (and as already agreed to and recommended by Railway Board to MOF /DOE).
 - b) Restructuring of Cadre of Technical Supervisors on Railways with 75 % of the posts of SSE (Senior Section Engineers) in Grade Pay Rs.4600 being upgraded to Grade Pay Rs.4800 – (as proposed and recommended by the Railway Board to Empowered Committee of Secretaries on 7th CPC).

2. OBSERVANCE OF DEMANDS DAY ON 23RD AUG, 2017 BY ENGINEES ALL OVER INDIAN RAILWAYS: Submission of Mass Appeal to Hon' Minister for Railways by all Units & Subunits of IRTSA, through proper channel with copies in advance to CRB & MSRB & GS IRTSA to be sent

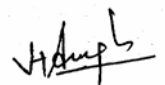
3. FILING OF COURT CASE FOR GRADE PAY IN VIEW OF THE MOST UNJUST DECISION BY MOF (DOE) ON THE PROPOSALS OF THE RAILWAY BOARD:

CEC IRTSA Resolved to file Court case in CAT Chennai for higher Grade Pay of JE & SSE. CEC authorized Shri K. V. Ramesh SSE ICF and Senior Joint General Secretary IRTSA to file the said OA and Affidavits for the same in CAT Chennai.

4. **LEGAL FUND:** CEC Resolved and appealed to all Engineers to contribute Rs.500/- per head towards the Legal Fund of IRTSA and to send the same to the Central Treasurer IRTSA at the earliest, for fighting the above said Court case to its logical conclusion upto the Apex Court. A separate account shall be maintained by the Central Treasurer IRTSA for the "Legal Fund IRTSA" and the amount received therein shall be spent exclusively for meeting the Legal expenses of the Court Case.
5. **GROUP B:** CEC decided to continue its struggle for Group B status for all Senior Technical Supervisors but decided to postpone the legal action for the present for Group B till the decision by the DOP & Railway Board on Classification of Posts on Railways as per 7th CPC Pay Levels.
6. **52ND ANNUAL CONFERENCE & CGB OF IRTSA:** CEC IRTSA decided to conduct 52nd Annual Conference & CGB of IRTSA on 9th & 10th October, 2017 at New Delhi to decide further line of action. Er. Darshan Lal Working President IRTSA shall be the Chairman of the Conference Committee with Er. Mayank Bhatnagar ZS RCF, Er. KV Ramesh as Convenors and Er. O.N.Purohit as Treasurer of the Conference Committee.
➤ **CGB MEETING & THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF IRTSA SHALL BE HELD AT HINDU MAHA SABHA BHWAN, MANDIR MARG NEW DELHI ON 9TH & 10TH OCTOBER, 2017.**
(For further details of Venue & arrangement for stay etc. Please see Notice for CGB Meeting attaché)
7. **CONFERENCE FUND:** CEC APPEALED TO ALL ENGINEERS TO CONTRIBUTE AT LEAST RS.100 PER HEAD FOR THE CONFERENCE FUND AND SEND THE SAME BEFORE 15-9-2017 TO CENTRAL TREASURER IRTSA
8. Brothers, this is a very crucial part of our struggle wherein the Railway Board had made some useful recommendations for the approval of the Ministry of Finance. As I said before, even though these are short of our demands for 100% up-grading to higher pay Levels, but some immediate relief will be provided even with the proposals of the Railway Board. We should therefore, make all out efforts to pursue the Railway Minister to intervene and get the Finance Minister to approve at least these proposals of the Railway Board.
9. **AN APPEAL TO ALL RAIL ENGINEERS TO UNITE:** I HEREBY FERVENTLY APPEAL TO ALL RAIL ENGINEERS TO UNITE AND SIGN THE (ATTACHED) MASS APPEAL TO THE RAILWAY MINISTER AND TO PLEASE EFFECTIVELY IMPLEMENT THE ABOVE MENTIONED LINE OF ACTION IN LETTER & SPIRIT.

WITH BEST WISHES & REGARDS TO YOU ALL,

YOURS SINCERELY,



Harchandan Singh,
General Secretary, IRTSA

Encls:

- i) Copy of the Mass Appeal to MR to be signed by all Rail Engineers & to be submitted on 23-8-2017 to the local Head of Office/ DRM/CWM/GM, with advance copy to CRB, MS & GS IRTSA
- ii) Resolution of Demands to be adopted by all Units & Subunits on Demands Day on 23-8-2017
- iii) Notice for CGB Meeting & 52nd Annual Conference of IRTSA at New Delhi on 9th & 10th of Oct, 2017

MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED TO PAY RS.220 AS MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION OF IRTSA & RS.500 AS LEGAL FUND FOR COURT CASE FOR GRADE PAY

**UNITS ARE REQUESTED TO SEND AT THE EARLIEST
CENTRAL QUOTA @ 50% OF SUBSCRIPTION & THE LEGAL FUND TO:
CENTRAL TREASURER IRTSA, ER O. N. PUROHIT,
106, SURAJ NAGAR, JODHPUR-342008 (PH: 09828024476)
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