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MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS  
RAILWAY BOARD

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The General Managers(Personnel)/General Managers (Commercial)  
All Indian Railways:PUS  
(As per standard list I & II).

Sub: Provision of companion in lieu of Attendant to senior citizen  
I class/ I 'A' post retirement complimentary pass holders

Arising out of the demand made by staff side in the JCM/DC, the question of providing the facility of companion in lieu of Attendant to senior citizen retired Railway employees holding I class/I 'A' post retirement complimentary passes has been under examination of the Ministry of Railways for quite some time. After careful consideration, Ministry of Railways have now decided to allow the facility of a companion in lieu of Attendant to senior citizen I class/I 'A' post retirement complimentary pass holders, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) The facility of a companion will be provided only on the post-retirement complimentary Ist and I 'A' passes in which there is already a provision to carry an Attendant as per the Railway Servants (Pass) Rules, 1986.
- (2) The facility of a companion will be allowed only to retired railway servants who are above the age of 65 years.
- (3) The facility of companion in lieu of attendant will be permitted only when the pass holder and/or eligible members of family above the age of 65 years will be travelling along with the companion in Sleeper class. In other words, if any other eligible member of the family below the age of 65 years is included in the pass then the facility of travel in Sleeper Class with a companion will not be permitted.

2. Accordingly senior citizen railway employees will have the option either to carry an "Attendant" in Sleeper class/II Class while themselves travelling in I class/AC 2-tier or to carry a companion in Sleeper class/II class in lieu of an Attendant if the pass holders themselves travel in Sleeper class/II class. In case a companion is provided, the pass issuing authorities shall take a specific request for the same and also mention the ages of the persons included in the pass, and the following endorsement shall be made on the pass

"Companion in lieu of Attendant permitted when  
the Pass holder travels in Sleeper class/II class"

3. In all other respects the provisions of the Railway Servants (Pass) Rules, 1986 will apply.

4. The Railway Servants (Pass) Rules, 1986 may accordingly be amended as in the ACS No.11 enclosed

5. Receipt of this letter may be acknowledged.

6. **Hindi version will follow.**

  
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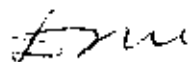
Encl: As above.

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For Secretary, Railway Board.