

period after successful completion of apprenticeship/training but in some cases he is confirmed in Railway service before completing the said minimum period. On confirmation he is required to execute a fresh Agreement Form in his capacity as a Class III Railway Servant (Vide Form No. 1, Appendix XXIV, R-I (1951 Edition). *A question has arisen whether such a person may be allowed to quit service at any time after giving one month's notice, in accordance with the provisions contained in Clause 3 (a) of the service agreement form to be signed by him as a class III employee, irrespective of his previous commitments.* The Board have carefully considered the matter and have decided that in such cases the agreement to be executed by the employee on his being permanently absorbed against a working post as for Class III Railway servant should be without prejudice to the terms and conditions of the previous Agreement entered into by him as an Apprentice/Trainee, i.e. to say he will not be allowed to quit Railway service by serving the Administration with one month's notice in terms of his later Agreement, *unless* he refunds the entire cost of training and pay/stipend etc. drawn by him.

In view of the foregoing, the President, is pleased to decide that the Agreement for Class III staff appearing as Form No. 1, Appendix XXIV R-I, (1951 Edition) as amended from time to time, may be further amended as in the Advance Correction Slip No. 70-RI, attached.

Advance Correction Slip No. 70-RI.

Add the following as Clause 15 after Clause 14, renumbering the existing clause 15 as Clause 16 of Form No. 1 in this Appendix— (Form of Agreement for Subordinate Staff).

“15. In the case of Apprentices/Trainees who have received training at the railway expense and have on successful completion of their apprenticeship/training, been permanently absorbed against working posts, this agreement is without prejudice to the terms and conditions of the previous agreement entered into by them as Apprentices/Trainees.”

(Railway Board's letter No. E(NG) 55AG1/3, dated 14-9-1961).

Serial No. 1341.—Circular No. 39-E/O-V (Eiv), dated 30-10-1961.

Sub.—Travelling allowance to an officer on reduction to junior scale.

It has been decided by the Railway Board that an officer is not eligible to draw T.A. at the rate admissible to senior scale officers during the period of his reduction to junior scale.

(Authority:—Railway Board's letter No. E(G) 61-AL6-4, dated 6-1-1961).

Serial No. 1342.—Circular No. 42-E/O-III (Eiv), dated 30-10-1961.

Sub.—Fixation of officiating pay under Rule 2027(FR31) RII.

The Railway Board's orders contained in their letter No. F(E)58-PA1/1, dated 9-6-1961 circulated under this office letter No. 42-E/O-III(Eiv), dated 25-7-1961 shall have effect only from the date of its issue viz. 9-6-1961.