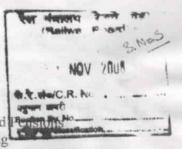




Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Department of Personnel & Training



New Delhi dt. // November, 2008.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM



Subject: Children Education Allowance -clarification.

Subsequent to issue of DOP&T OM No. 12011/3/2008-Estt.(Allowance) dated 2nd Sept, 2008 allowing Children Education Allowance / Hostel Subsidy, clarifications on certain points have been sought by Govt. servants/Ministries/Departments. The doubts raised by various authorities are clarified as under:

- (i) What is the definition of 'Year' & 'Hostel Subsidy' as per the OM No. 12011/3/2008-Estt.(Allowance) dt. 2nd Sept, 2008 on the subject Children Education Allowance?
- (i) 'Year' means academic year i.e. twelve months of complete academic session.
- (ii) Hostel Subsidy means expenses incurred by the Govt. servant if he has to keep his children in the hostel of a residential school away from the station at which he is posted/ or is residing. It may include expenses towards boarding, lodging and expenses as detailed in para (e) of the original OM No. 12011/3/2008-Estt.(Allowance)dt. 2nd Sept, 2008
- (ii) What is the amount of reimbursement of Children Education Allowance for the year 2008-09 in the OM No. 12011/3/2008- Estt.(AL) dt. 2nd Sept, 2008?
- It may be calculated on prorata basis @ maximum of Rs.1000/-per month per child w.e.f. 1st September, 2008.
- (iii) Whether DOPT OM No. 12011/3/2008-Estt.(Allowance) dated 2nd Sept, 2008 is admissible for reimbursement of Children Education Allowance for pursuing Diploma Course for the initial years in Polytechnic?

In cases where minimum qualifications for admission in the two years Diploma course in Polytechnic is 10th Class and the student joins the polytechnic after passing X class, the reimbursement of tuition fees shall also be allowed for the 1st and 2nd year classes of the above course.

(iv) Whether children attending day- boarding, whether attached to schools or not are eligible to draw hostel subsidy?		
(v) Whether the restriction of classes Nursery to class Twelfth as applicable for Children Education Allowance is also applicable for drawing hostel subsidy?	Yes.	
(vi) Whether Children Education allowance is admissible for more than two children in case the number of children exceeds two as a result of multiple birth?	Yes, if the number of children exceeds two as a result of second child birth resulting in twins or multiple births.	18
(vii) Whether Children Education Allowance / Hostel Subsidy will be admissible during suspension or leave?	The Children Education Allowance or hostel subsidy shall be admissible to a Govt. servant while he/she is on duty or is under suspension or is on leave (including extra ordinary leave). Provided that during any period which is treated as 'dies non' the Govt. servant shall not be eligible for the Allowance / reimbursement /subsidy for the period.	
Children Education Allowance as per OM No. 12011/4/2008- Estt.(AL) dt. 11 th Sept, 2008 is admissible for disabled Children of Govt. employees who undergoes non formal Education or Vocational Training or other similar instructions?		. 4
2. This issues with the concurrence of	f Ministry of Finance.	
3. Hindi version will follow.		

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समस्त मण्डल रेल प्रबन्धक एवं अतिरिक्त मण्डल कार्यालय (मानक सूची के अनुसार)

> विषय:- Grant of Childern Education Allowance & Hostel Subsidy to Railway employees - clarifications regarding.

रेल मंत्रालय के पत्र सं. F(W)2008/ED-2/4 दिनांक 04/05/2009 (आर.वी.ई.सं 78/2009) की प्रतिलिपि सूचना एवं आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु प्रेषित की जा रही हैं।

इसमें उल्लिखित रेल मंत्रालय के पत्र F(W)2008/ED-2/4 दिनांक 1/10/2008 (आर.बी.ई.सं. 135/2008) एवं दिनांक 19/12/2008 (आर.बी.ई.सं. 197/2008) की प्रतिलिपि मुं0कं0सं0 13500/24 एवं 13500/60 के अर्न्तगत भेजी जा चुकी हैं।

कृपया इस पत्र की पावती अवश्य भेजें।

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(Om Prakash) कृते महाप्रबन्धक/कार्मिक

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The General Manager (P), All Indian Ralways & PUs.

Sub: Grant of Children Education Allowance & Hostel Subsidy to Railway employees - clarifications reg.

Please refer to Railway Board's letter of even number dated 01.10.2008 followed by Board's letter of even no. dated 19-12-2008 containing revised policy instructions/ clarification on Children Education Allowance and Hostel Subsidy admissible to Railway servants based on the recommendations of Sixth Central Pay Commission.

2. However, certain doubts had been raised still further by some Railways on the aforesaid policy, which are clarified as under:-

SN	Point of doubt/Clarifications	Comments	
1. Whether the expenditure incurred on purchase of books uniform, shoes etc. priors to 01.09.2008 during the academic year 2008-09 is reimbursable under the Scheme and, if so, upto what extent?		Allowance are effective from 01.09.2008. In the revised orders reimbursement is admissible for expenditure on purchase of books, uniform school shoes and certain other fee heads which was not available under the previous	
2.	Whether the full amount of Rs.12000/- of Children Education Allowance can be reimbursed at the beginning of the academic year since expenditure on purchase of books, uniform, shoes and certain fee elements like admission fee, science fee etc. is made at the start of scholastic session?	The new scheme provides reimbursement of children education allowance upto a maximum of Rs.12.000/- per annum per child. It further prescribes that reimbursement can be claimed once every quarter and the amount claimed in a quarter could be more than Rs.3000/- and in	

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-: 2 :-In case of employees appointed It is clarified in the revised instructions that to service after 01.09.2008, Children Education Allowance is not admissible whether the allowance is for the period of service treated as dies-non i.e. admissible from date of joining no service no allowance. It is further clarified on pro-rata basis or full that Children Education Allowance may be reimbursement can be claimed? calculated on pro-rata basis @ maximum Rs.1000/- per month per child. As such employees who have joined service after 01.09.2008 would be entitled to Allowance on pro-rata basis i.e. maximum Rs.1000/- for each completed month per child. The Children Education Allowance is meant for Whether reimbursement can be the reimbursement of expenses incurred on claimed for expenses on Tuition classes in recognized Coaching studies/education of a child in a school. Hence Centers. expenses on coaching classes in a Tuition/Coaching Centre would not be admissible. This issues with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of Ministry of Railways. Hindi version will follow. (Debasis Mazumdar) Joint Director Estt.(Welfare) Railway Board.