### दक्षिणरेलवे Southern Railway

ਚੋਂ No:U/P.608/CP/Misc.

मंडलकार्यालय/ Divisional Office, कार्मिकशाखा/ Personnel Branch, मदुरै/ Madurai-625016, दि. /Dated:As signed.

### All Supervisory Officials / MDU Division

विषय/ Sub: Extension of cut-off date for exercising Option of Unified Pension Scheme

(UPS) under NPS by two months i.e., upto 30<sup>th</sup> November,2025.

संदर्भ /Ref: 1.PCPO/S.Rly Lr.No.P(R)500/P/UPS dt.14.10.2025.

2. Railway Board's lr.No.F(E)III/2025/UPS/1 dt:13.10.2025.

3.PFRDA lr.No.PFRDA/2025/14/SUP-CG-SG/06 dt:06.10.2025.

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With reference to the above, the extenision of cut-off date for exercising Option of Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) under NPS by two months i.e., upto 30<sup>th</sup> November 2025.

The Railway Board's letter dated 28.03.2025 and 04.07.2025 referred to therein, have been circulated as PBC No.70/2025 and PBC No.138/2025 on the above subject is enclosed for information, guidance and necessary action please.

Encl: As above

(S. JESURAJAN) सहायककार्मिकअधिकारी/ एसईएम Assistant Personnel Officer/SEM /मंडल कार्मिक अधिकारी/मदुर / Divisional Personnel Officer/MDU

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PBC No. 206 / 2025 RBE No. 107 / 2025

### av दक्षिण रेलवे Southern Railway प्रधान मुख्य कार्मिक अधिकारी कार्यालय Office of the Principal Chief Personnel Officer प्रधान कार्यालय, कार्मिक विभाग, चेन्नै-600003 Headquarters, Personnel Department, Chennai-600003

सं/No: P(R) 500 / P / UPS दिनांक/Dated: 14.10.2025

All PHODs/ DRMs/ CWMs/ CEWE/ CAO/ CPM/ PDA/ Dy.CPOs/ Sr.DPOs/ Secy to GM,Chairman/RRB/MAS,TVC, Addl.Registrar/RCT/MAS, Secretary/RRT/MAS, Principal MDZTI/TPJ, SRCETC/TBM, ZETTC/AVD, DPOs/SPOs/WPOs/APOs of HQ/Divisions /Workshops/Units.

विषय/Sub :Extension of cut-off date for exercising Option of Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) under NPS by two months i.e., upto 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2025.

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A copy of the Railway Board's letter F(E)III/2025/UPS/1 dated 13.10.2025 along with a copy of Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) Circular No. PFRDA/2025/14/SUP-CG-SG/06 dated 06.10.2025 on the above subject is enclosed for information, guidance and necessary action.

The Railway Board's letters dated 28.03.2025 and 04.07.2025 referred to therein, have been circulated as PBC No. 70 / 2025 and PBC No. 138 / 2025.

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## सहायक कर्मचारी संबंधी अधिकारी/Asst.Personnel Officer / IR & Trg. कृते प्रमुकाधि/For Principal Chief Personnel Officer

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# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA (BHARAT SARKAR) MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (RAIL MANTRALAYA) (RAILWAY BOARD)

No. F(E)III/2025/UPS/1

New Delhi, dated: 13.10.2025.

The General Managers/Principal Financial Advisors, Alí Zonal Railways/Production Units etc, DGs of RDSO and NAIR.

Subject :- Extension of cut-off date for exercising Option of Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) under NPS by two months i.e. upto 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2025.

Ref:

- (i) Board's letter of even number dated 28.03.2025.
- (ii) Board's letter of even number dated 04.07.2025.

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Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) vide Gazette Notification No. PFRDA/12/01/0001/2023-LEGAL dated 19.03.2025 had issued the Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (Operationalisation of Unified Pension Scheme under National Pension System) Regulations, 2025 to operationalise the Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) introduced by the Central Government as an option under the National Pension System (NPS) for the employees of the Central Government who are covered under the NPS. The said notification was circulated on Railways vide the letter mentioned under reference dated 28.03.2025.

- 2. Subsequently, PFRDA vide Circular No. PFRDA/2025/04/SUP-CG-SG/01 dated 26.06.2025 had extended the cut-off date for exercising the option for UPS for three months i.e. upto 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025. The said circular of PFRDA was circulated on Railways vide the letter mentioned under reference dated 04.07.2025.
- 3. Now, PFRDA vide Circular No. PFRDA/2025/14/SUP-CG-SG/06 dated 06.10.2025 has again extended the cut-off date for exercising the option for UPS for two months i.e. upto 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2025. The said circular of PFRDA shall apply *mutatis-mutandis* on Railways also.
- 4. The Fundamental Rule 56(j) and Central Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1965 mentioned in the said circular correspond to Rule 1802(a) of Chapter-18 of Indian Railway Establishment Code Vol. II (1987-edition) and Railway Servants (Discipline and Appeal) Rules, 1968 respectively.

(G. Priya Sudarsani), Director, Finance (Estt.), Railway Board.

DA:- As above.

No. F(E)III/2025/UPS/1

New Delhi, Dated: 13 .10.2025



## पेशन निधि विनियामक और विकास प्राधिकरण PENSION FUND REGULATORY AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY



#### Circular

Circular No: PFRDA/2025/14/SUP-CG-SG/06

October 06, 2025

To,

The PrAOs, PAOs, DDOs of Central Government,

Existing Employees, Eligible Past Retirees and the Legally wedded Spouses of Deceased Past Retirees of Central Government covered under National Pension System (NPS)

The DTAs, DTOs, DDOs of State Government with respect to AIS officials,

The Central Recordkeeping Agencies (CRAs),

National Pension System Trust

Subject: Extension of cut-off date for exercising Option of Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) under NPS by two months i.e., upto 30th November 2025- reg.

Please refer to the Regulation 3 (2) (i) of the Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (Operationalisation of the Unified Pension Scheme under National Pension System) Regulations, 2025 dated 19th March, 2025, wherein, it is provided that the exercise of option in respect of an eligible employee to be covered under UPS shall be undertaken:—(i) within three months from 1st April 2025, or within such extended timelines if any, allowed by the Central Government, in respect of a person mentioned under clause (i) and clause (iii) of sub-regulation (1) of regulation 3 of the above regulations.

- 2. The Central Government of India has extended the cut-off date for exercising the option for UPS by two months i.e., upto 30<sup>th</sup> November 2025 in respect of the following:
  - (i) migration to UPS from NPS by an existing Central Government employee in service as on 1st April 2025, who is covered under NPS.
  - (ii) claim by (a) A Central Government employee who was covered under NPS and who has superannuated or voluntarily retired or has retired under Fundamental Rules 56 (j) (which is not treated as penalty under Central Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1965), on or before 31st March 2025; or
  - (b) the legally wedded spouse in case of a subscriber who has superannuated or retired and has demised prior to exercising the option of UPS.

 This circular is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 14 of the Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority Act, 2013 and shall be effective immediately.

> (Vikas Kumar Singh) Chief General Manager