GOVERNMENT OF INDIA (भारत सरकार) MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (रेल मंत्रालय) RAILWAY BOARD (रेलवे बोर्ड)

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The Principal Chief Commercial Managers, All Zonal Railways.

Sub: Booking of reserved tickets by Hon'ble Members of Parliament.

At present, Hon'ble Members of Parliament have been allowed to book reserved tickets through computerised Passenger Reservation System (PRS) counters of Indian Railways on the authority of Identity Card issued to them by Lok Sabha/Rajya Sabha Secretariats. An analysis of bookings made by Hon'ble MPs for themselves, their spouse and companion has revealed that in many cases, the age of Hon'ble MPs, their spouse and companion is not being indicated. This phenomenon has also been observed in booking of tickets for Hon'ble MPs on phone. In connection with an Audit objection raised against Rajya Sabha Secretariat regarding debits for journeys performed by sitting and former Parliamentarians, it has been requested that all possible journey related details of Hon'ble MPs, their spouse/companion should be taken at the time of booking of reserved tickets for them.

- 2. It is, therefore, desired that necessary instructions may be issued to all concerned that at the time of booking of reserved tickets for Hon'ble MPs, their spouse/companion across PRS counters or through phone, polite request should be made to them to give all necessary particulars including the age of the passengers to be booked on the ticket. In case it is not feasible to give the age of the companion, the age of Hon'ble MPs and his/her spouse should be indicated while booking the reserved tickets for them:
- Necessary instructions may be issued to all concerned accordingly.

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