

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

**No. E(NG)-I/2025/SR/7
 (E-3519337)**

New Delhi, dated 31.12.2025

The General Manager (P),
 Patiala Locomotive Works,
Patiala.

Sub: Clarification regarding fixation of inter-se seniority of Technician candidates possessing Act Apprenticeship.

**Ref: i) Railway Board's letter No. 2024/E(Trg)/43/4 dated 09.10.2024 (RBE No. 92/2024)
 ii) PLW/Patiala's letter No. PLW/P/Rectt./Policy dated 22.12.2025.**

Please refer to PLW's letter dated 22.12.2025 referred above seeking Board's clarification regarding fixation of inter-se seniority of Technician candidates possessing Act Apprenticeship qualifications, particularly in cases where candidates from the same RRB panel are governed by different training requirements.

2. The issue has been examined in Board's office and it is clarified that seniority may be fixed as per details given below:

SN	Candidates selected through RRB Panel	Compassionate Ground Appointees	Training Period	Seniority to be fixed as per existing norms
1	Course completed Act Apprentices trained in Railway Establishments		Nil	Para 303 (b) of IREM
2	Course completed Act Apprentices trained in non-Railway Establishments		6 Months	Para 303 (a) of IREM
3	ITI passed candidates in the same or the fields or related fields as per DR advertisement norms		6 Months	Para 303 (a) of IREM
4		Degree/ Diploma holders in field of relevant trade and similar trades on par with DR advertisement norms	6 Months	Para 303 (a) and para 306 of IREM
5		Engineering Degree/ Diploma holders in a field other than that of relevant trade	12 Months	Para 303 (a) of IREM

6	Matriculation plus ITI qualification in a trade which is one of the engineering trades falling in the relevant trades for a post of Technician Grade-III as per extant RRB notifications, but is not the relevant trade for the post	12 Months	Para 303 (a) of IREM
7	Matriculation or any other higher qualification and other non relevant ITI	2 Years	Para 303 (a) of IREM

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