

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS  
(RAILWAY BOARD)

No. 2019/V1/IRVM/1/2 Pt.

New Delhi, Date: 11.12.2024

The General Managers/  
All Zonal Railways/PUs.

The SDGMs/CVOs  
All Zonal Railways/PUs

The Director General  
All Railway Institutes, RDSO.

**Sub:** Amendment No. 11-Para 706 of IRVM-2018.

It has been decided by the competent authority to amend Para 706 of IRVM-2018 as per the enclosed Amendment No. 11:

SN	Amendment to Para/Annexure	Subject
1.	Para 706	Empanelment of Arbitrators.

DA: As above



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Railway Board

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Amendment no. 11

Indian Railways Vigilance Manual-2018

The Amended Para 706 regarding Empanelment of Arbitrators is as under:

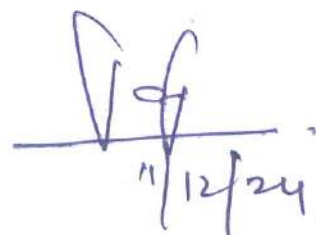
**706. Empanelment of serving/retired officers as Arbitrators.**

I) Empanelment of serving/retired officers as Arbitrators cannot be done for: -

- a. Persons born on current 'Agreed/Secret' list.
- b. Persons involved in any current vigilance/CBI cases or against whom disciplinary or prosecution proceedings are in process.
- c. Persons against whom Major penalty has been imposed during last 20 years of service as a result of vigilance/CBI action.
- d. Persons against whom Minor penalty has been imposed during last 10 years of service as a result of vigilance/CBI action.

NOTE:

- i) If any officer appointed as Arbitrator is subsequently detected to be involved in a Vigilance/CBI case, action will be taken as per extant guidelines
  - ii) The officers working in the Vigilance Organisation should not be considered for appointment as Arbitrators, even if empanelled, as per extant guidelines.
- II) For considering empanelment of retired officers, AGM/DGM entrusted with the work of empanelment will prepare a list of officials, who are willing to be empanelled as Arbitrators and forward it to SDGM/CVOs. Based on various parameters i.e., integrity, ethics, experience of dealing in contracts/tenders, temperament of taking fair decisions etc., short listing to be done by SDGM/CVO.
- III) After due approval of General Manager, list of Shortlisted officials to be sent to PED/Vigilance/Railway Board for assessment and approval. Based on feedback, general image, career profile etc. PED/Vigilance will give approval to the proposal of zonal railways.
- IV) Based on the proposal of Zonal Railway, the empanelment of arbitrator shall be reviewed every year for continuation or otherwise and shall be approved by the PED/Vigilance. The existing panel shall continue till revision of the panel. The total number of cases on hand should not be more than 10 at the time of appointment. (Ref.: RB letter No. 2009/CE-I/CT/14/Main dated: 11.07.2024).
- V) Deleted

  
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