

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING EXAMINATION CENTRE FOR CEN-02/2018

1. Railway Recruitment Boards are carrying out the world's largest exam for recruitment of various posts in Level-1 of 7th CPC against CEN-02/2018. Total 1.9 crores candidates have applied for the above examination for Indian Railways. A total of 14,44,663 candidates from West Bengal have applied for the above notification and more than 13 lakhs candidates have applied for RRB/Kolkata. The above examination will be conducted from 17.09.2018 to 14.12.2018 (for 49 days) across all States of India. The above examination is also being monitored by Hon'ble Prime Minister Office so that the same can be completed smoothly without any trouble and within a limited time frame.
2. The above examination will be conducted in dedicated examination centres having special infrastructure facilities like CCTV Cameras, PCs and server with specific requirement of hardware and software etc so that examination can be conducted trouble free and without any malpractice. Thus the number of such centres where the examination can be conducted gets restricted. Hence all candidates of a state particularly from West Bengal, Bihar, Jharkhand, UP, Assam etc where huge volume of candidates have applied cannot be accommodated for writing the exam in their respective states specialized computer centres.
3. Out of 14,44,663 candidates applied for West Bengal, 4,51,908(20.79%) candidates could be accommodated in the centres within 50 kilometers of their address, 4,38,824(30.38%) candidates could be accommodated within 100 kilometers, 3,70,174 (25.62%) candidates could be accommodated within 100-250 kilometers and 1,52,495(10.56%) candidates could be accommodated within 250-300 kilometers. Thus 13,77,401 i.e. 95.34% of the total candidates applied from West Bengal could be accommodated within 300 kilometers of their address. However, 67,262 i.e. 4.66% of the candidates have to be accommodated within 350-500 kilometers. For states like Bihar, UP, Jharkhand, Assam, Madhya Pradesh etc where the volume of candidate applied is huge, a large number of candidates were to be accommodated beyond 500 kilometers of their residential address. The allotment of centres was done based on their address of correspondence filled at the application stage and the priority for allocation of centres was given first to female and PWD candidates and then priority was given to the other candidates based on their date of application.

4. Thus movement of candidates from their respective states to the adjacent state for writing the examination centre is not limited to West Bengal but in other states like Bihar, UP, Jharkhand, MP, Assam etc. It may also be noted that during ALP/Technician (CEN-01/2018) exam, a huge number of candidates from states like Bihar, UP etc had to travel a distance of more than 1500 kilometers to write their exam.
5. Moreover, in West Bengal holidays for Biswakarma Puja, Durga Puja, Lakshmi Puja, Kali Puja, Chat festival etc also affected the number of examination days and examination centres.
6. Conducting such huge examination is really a challenging task and cooperation of the candidates is also required for the same. **Request for change of exam days, centres etc from candidates cannot be entertained as consideration of any centre change request will jeopardize the entire exam process.**
7. Candidates may also see para **16.5** of the detailed Notification **No.CEN-02/2018** wherein it is mentioned that **RRBs will not entertain any request for change in examination centre, date and session allotted to the candidates.** As per **para 19.2 of the Notification** it is mentioned that the decision of RRBs in all matters relating to eligibility, acceptance or rejection of online applications, issue of free Rail Passes, penal action for false information, modification of vacancies, mode of selection, conduct of CBT, **allotment of examination centers**, selection, allotment of posts to selected candidates etc., will be final and binding on the candidates and no enquiry or correspondence will be entertained by the RRBs in this regard. **Vide Para 15.1a**, the candidates were also have to confirm that they have read and understood the instructions clearly by clicking the check box. So **any request for change of exam centre/date of exam from candidates cannot be entertained.**
8. Candidates are therefore requested to coordinate with the Railway Recruitment Boards in this regard so that such a mammoth examination involving 1.9 crores applicants being conducted for almost 50 days can be completed smoothly and without any trouble and within the time frame.

CHAIRMAN/RRB/KOLKATA