



दक्षिण पूर्व मध्य रेलवे
SOUTH EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY

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मुख्य प्रशासनिक अधिकारी (निर्माण) कार्यालय, निर्माण भवन, बिलासपुर – 495004

Chief Administrative Officer (Construction) Office, Nirman Bhawan, Railway Settlement Bilaspur-495004 (C.G.)

No DY.CE(CON)/PLG/SECR/BSP/ E-235790

dated 01.07.2026

Sub: Engagement of Retired IRSE Officers for Peer Review of DPRs in South East Central Railway.

Ref: Railway Board's letter no. 2025/W-I/Genl./Peer Review of DPR (E-3508081) dated 13.01.2026

Notification

1. In terms of Railway Board's letter under reference above, it has been decided to invite applications from eligible Indian Railway Service of Engineers (IRSE) officers retired from the Senior Administrative Grade (SAG) or higher for their empanelment as Sector Experts for providing expert services for "Peer Review of DPRs of railway infrastructure projects" over the jurisdiction of South East Central Railway.
2. Detailed terms and conditions regarding eligibility/procedure for empanelment of Sector Experts, honorarium/logistics, scope of work & procedure for peer review of DPRs are enclosed as 'Annexure A'.
3. The Designation shall be Sector Expert. & maximum age of Applicant shall be 75 years.
4. Minimum Qualification should be BE/B. Tech in Civil Engineering.
5. The applicant should be an Indian Railway Service of Engineers (IRSE) officer retired from the Senior Administrative Grade (SAG) level or higher post.
6. The applicant must have a minimum of 5 years experience in project execution/planning in railway infrastructure sector at SAG level or higher post.
7. The expert should not have any conflict of interest with the DPR Consultants, project proponent or associated contractors.
8. Applicants must submit their detailed CV/Bio Data along with the prescribed application form (Annexure B) along with copies of desired documents and Declaration form (Annexure C) duly filled in and addressed to Chief Administrative Officer/Construction, South East Central Railway through e-mail only on dycecpbgsp@gmail.com latest by **23.07.2026 (18:00 hrs.)**
9. The applications, as and when received will be registered and their suitability will be scrutinized by an Empanelment Committee & recommendations of the Empanelment Committee shall be forwarded to Competent Authority for final approval and empanelment.
10. Selected Sector Expert(s) shall be paid an honorarium, TA/DA and other logistic supports as per Para-7 of Annexure A.
11. The eligible and willing retired officers will be called to adjudge the suitability. All applicants are requested to check their registered emails regularly for further updates as all the correspondences will be

done through email only.

12. Copy of this notification & Annexures are also available at South East Central Railway's website <https://secr.indianrailways.gov.in>

Last date of Submission of application is 23.07.2026 (18:00 Hrs)

This notification also available at SECR website <https://seccr.indianrailway.gov.in>
Recruitment/News/Press Release ->Recruitment->Construction Department

Encl. (1) Annexure-A
(2) Annexure-B
(3) Annexure-C


01.07.26
Dy CE/Con/PLG
SEC Railway, bilaspur

Copy to: (1) PS to CAO/Con/SECR for kind information of CAO/Con/SECR.
(2) PS to PFA/SECR for kind information of PFA/SECR.
(3) PS to PCE/SECR for kind information of PCE/SECR.

Annexure A**1. Eligibility**

- i. Age not more than 75 years.
- ii. Minimum qualification should be BE/B.Tech in Civil Engineering.
- iii. Should be an Indian Railway Service of Engineers (IRSE) officer retired from the Senior Administrative Grade (SAG) or higher post.
- iv. Must have a minimum of 5 years' experience in project execution/planning in the railway infrastructure sector at SAG level or higher post.
- v. The expert should not have any conflict of interest with the DPR consultant, project proponent, or associated contractors.

2. Empanelment Process

- i. Application along with all annexures should be submitted through e-mail only at dycecp1gbsp@gmail.com on or before closing date as per notification.
- ii. Applicants must submit their detailed CV/Bio-data and a prescribed application form within the stipulated time through e-mail only.
- iii. Applications will be scrutinized by an Empanelment Committee comprising of CAO/ Construction Convener, PFA(C) and Principal Chief Engineer (PCE)
- iv. The Empanelment Committee shall ensure that shortlisted candidates fulfill all eligibility conditions and possess domain-specific expertise for infrastructure DPRs.
- v. Recommendations of the Empanelment Committee shall be forwarded to the General Manager (GM) for final approval.

3. Competent Authority for Approval

The General Manager (GM) of the South East Central Railway shall be the competent authority for approving the empanelment of Sector Experts based on the recommendations of the Empanelment Committee.

4. Engagement and Termination of Engagement

- i. The CAO (C) will assign specific DPR(s) for peer review to a sector expert from the approved panel.
- ii. The engagement of a Sector Expert may be terminated by the CAO (C) at any time by giving 15 days notice, without assigning any reason.
- iii. If the Sector Expert is found to have concealed any material information or is involved in a conflict of interest, the engagement shall be terminated with immediate effect and without any notice.
- iv. In case of misconduct or breach of confidentiality, termination shall be immediate and without any notice.
- v. To ensure quality and timely completion, no Sector Expert shall be assigned more than four (4) DPRs under review across all Zonal Railways at any given time. The work under consultant will be considered complete only when final report has been submitted and CAO/ Construction of that project has accepted it satisfactorily.

5. Scope of Work for Peer Review

- i. The Sector Expert shall review the DPR in detail, including but not limited to:
 - a. Technical feasibility
 - b. Cost estimates and design justifications
 - c. Alignment, survey data, and proposed engineering structures
 - d. Environmental and safety considerations
 - e. Constructability and phasing of work
- ii. Site visits may be required to validate alignment and feasibility.
- iii. The Sector Expert shall identify gaps or deficiencies and suggest improvements.
- iv. A comprehensive report with observations, findings, and recommendations shall be submitted to the Zonal Railway within a defined timeframe.

6. Review Procedure

- i. DPRs submitted by consultants will be forwarded to the engaged Sector Experts by the Zonal Railway.
- ii. The Sector Expert shall acknowledge receipt and provide a timeline for submission of the peer review (not more than 10 days in any case).
- iii. A draft peer review report shall be shared with CAO/C or CE/C for initial comments followed by submission of the final report
- iv. In case of major observations, the consultant shall be asked to revise the DPR accordingly. Decision shall rest with the concerned CAO/C.
- v. There shall be no splitting of Peer Review for any single FLS-based DPR package. All DPRs arising from one FLS sanction shall be reviewed by the same Sector Expert to ensure coherence and accountability.

7. Honorarium and Logistics

- i. Sector Experts shall be paid an honorarium of 1 lakh per day. For the purpose of calculation, one day shall be considered for every 50 route km in plain areas and 30 km in hilly areas. The number of days so calculated shall be rounded up to the next full day for payment purposes.

For example, if FLS sanctioned length is 23 km (0.46 days), payment will be for 1 day, Similarly, if 110 km (2.2 days) is the sanctioned FLS length, remuneration of consultation will be for 3 days.

- ii. 80 % of the honorarium shall be payable upon submission and approval of the draft report by CAO/ Construction, and the balance 20% after acceptance of the final report.
- iii. TA/ DA and other travel expenses (such as conveyance for field visits) shall be admissible as per the entitlements of the retired officer.
- iv. Logistics support for review of DPR in HOQ/field office, including site visit arrangements, shall be provided by the Construction Organization, which shall also facilitate access to project documents and coordination with consultants.

8. Confidentiality and Conflict of Interest

- i, Sector Experts shall treat all DPRs, reports, data, and correspondence as strictly confidential.
- ii, No information shall be shared with any third party without prior approval of the South East Central Railway.

9. Record-Keeping and Monitoring

- i, An online list of empanelled Sector Experts shall be maintained by the CAO/C office and made available on the Zonal Railway's website.
- ii. Performance and quality of reviews shall be monitored periodically. Sector Experts providing substandard reports may be delisted by the CAO(C).
- iii. A review of empanelled Sector Experts shall be carried out annually by CAO(C).
- iv. Addition of Sector Experts to the panel can be done by CAO(C) before one year, following the process outlined in Section 2.
- v. There shall be no splitting of peer review of FLS; all DPRs arising from a single FLS sanction shall be reviewed by one Sector Expert only, to maintain consistency and accountability.
- vi. This policy shall be reviewed after one year of implementation based on field experience and feedback from Zonal Railways.

10. Validity of Empanelment

The empanelment of a Sector Expert shall be valid for 3 years, extendable by one additional year based on requirement and satisfactory performance.

11, PROCEDURE FOR PEER REVIEW OF DPR

- (i) The Sector Expert to check that all relevant project aspects (i.e. functional & technical requirements including value engineering, quality & safety aspects etc.) are incorporated in the DPR proposed by the consultants.
- (ii) Various aspects including proposed alignment, land schedules, design, sources of materials, project costs shall be verified by the Sector Expert.
- (iii) The Sector Expert shall ensure their availability during the first presentation by the DPR consultant to GM/Railway Board through VC.
- (iv) To review the utilities relocation plans for its adequacy in consultation with the authorities concerned & verify the methodology of implementation.
- (v) The peers to authenticate that all design parameters adopted by the consultants such as traffic data, topographical data, geotechnical data, geometric data etc. are in order and suitable for the project concerned.
- (vi) The requirement of safety, the necessity for felling of trees, the local consultations had by DPR Consultants (with a view to identifying the needs/ expectations of the people regarding underpasses/ realignment etc. keeping in view the codal requirements) etc. may also be reviewed.

(vii) DPR should be faithful to site conditions, availability of materials, and capable of translation on the ground. Survey control points on ground should be established physically and securely and in sufficient numbers to allow accurate and convenient setting out of works.

(viii) Hydraulic design parameters should be based on correct data and field survey. Sub-soil investigation for design of structures, sub-grade soil and material investigations for design of track/formation should be accurate and reliable and in sufficient detail. The information should be tabulated and also represented graphically in a form that is capable of being checked and verified. Due account should be taken of any environment restrictions.

(ix) DPR should identify the potential sources of materials like quarry sites, borrow areas. Establish their quality and recommend their use on the basis of techno-economic principles. It shall be preferred that locally available materials are utilized in the proposed project.

(x) Correct details of all physical features and obstructions, structures, roads, canal/river crossing, water mains, sewers, gas/oil pipes, trees, plantations, electric and telecommunication lines etc. which affect the proposal should be marked to an accuracy/tolerance consistent with their likely interference.

The drawings should be capable to execution at site without additional instructions or changes.

(xi) Drawings for ROBs/ RUBs should be based on clearance by and approval of concerned Road authorities.

(xii) In case of bridges, the final design should be based on approval of General Arrangement Drawing (GAD) and alignment plan, to be given after consideration of alternatives bringing out their cost effectiveness and ease of construction.

(xiii) The description of items in Schedule of items should be consistent with the drawings and specifications, and all should lend themselves to harmonious and unambiguous interpretation.

(xiv) Besides the quantities of various items of work. Schedule of items should also give the quantities of major materials like, cement, steel and track components likely to be required for the work in order to arrive at their reliable percentages, required to be given in the Price Adjustment Formula

(xv) The requirement of safety, the necessity for felling of trees, the local consultations had by DPR Consultants (with a view to identifying the needs/ expectations of the people regarding underpasses/ realignment etc. keeping in view the codal requirements) etc. shall also be reviewed.

(xvi) The adequacy of proposed project infrastructure to serve the project requirements shall be reviewed.

(xvii) The sector Expert shall make a list of items which are not necessary for the project but included in the estimate.

(xviii) In addition to above, any other project specific requirement shall also be reviewed.

Annexure B

Application for Engagement of Retired IRSE Officers for providing expert services for “Peer Review of DPRs of Railway infrastructure projects”

Affix recent
passport size
photograph
with signature

To,
Chief Administrative Officer (Construction),
South east Central Railway, Bilaspur
Chattishgarh:- 495004

I hereby apply for Engagement for the post of Sector Expert for “Peer Review of DPRs of Railway infrastructure projects”, on terms and conditions mentioned in the above notification. My service Particulars are as below:

1	Name of applicant in Capital Letters	
2	Gender	
3	Designation at the time of Retirement along with Level in 7 th CPC	
4	Zone/Unit/Department from where retired	
5	Date of Birth (DD-MM-YY)	
6	Date of Retirement on Superannuation (DD-MM- YY)	
7	Date of Retirement in other than normal retirement(DD-MM-YY)	
8	Date of Entry into SA Grade	
9	Address for correspondence	
10	Contact No.	
11	Aadhar No.	
12	Email ID	
13	PPO No. with date	
14	Encloser (copy of the documents)	a) Service Certificate b) Pensioner Identity Card c) Pension Payment Order

15. Educational Qualifications:

Sr. No.	Designation, Organization, Place of Posting	Grade level	Period of Service			Job Profile/ Brief Details of Work Done/ Experience	Whether the work pertains to Railway Infrastructure sector (new Lines, Multitasking, Gauge Conversion or similar)
			From	To	No. of days		

17. Experience in preparation for DPRs for Railway infrastructure Projects such as New Line, Multitracking and Gauge Conversion, etc. if any (Please further details).

18. Punishments, if any, in last 5 years of retirement.

I declare that the information furnished above is true to the best of my knowledge and I am liable for punitive action, if found false/ incorrect. I also declare that I have gone through the terms and conditions stipulated in the Notification & Annexures and I shall abide by them.

Place:

Signature of the Applicant

Date:

Name:

Annexure C**Declaration form**

I, Shri.....Retd.....hereby declare that

I shall abide by all terms and conditions of the empanelment.

I have not been removed/ dismissed/ compulsory neither retired from Railway Service as a result of disciplinary action or in Review nor retired under SRRS/LARSGESS.

I am aware that the Administration is at liberty to terminate my services any time, in case, my work/ conduct is found unsatisfactory.

I do not have any conflict of interest with the DPR consultants, project proponent, or associated contractors.

Place:

Signature of the Applicant:

Date:

Name: