

National Federation of Indian Railwaymen

RBE NO.12/2026

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

No. E(NG)I/2020/PM1/9

New Delhi, dated 10.02.2026

The General Manager (P),
All Zonal Railways & PUs
(As per standard List)

The Chairman:
(a) Railway Recruitment Boards
(b) Railway Recruitment Cell

Sub: General Departmental Competitive Examination (GDCE) for filling up of 25% net direct recruitment quota vacancies in Group 'C'; categories- Extension of currency upto 31.03.2028.

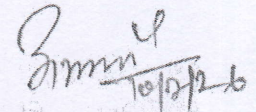
Since the introduction of the scheme of General Departmental Competitive Examination (GDCE) vide Board's letter No. E(NG)I/92/PM2/16 dated 20.08.1993 for a period of one year, the currency of the same, is being extended from time to time, and the same was last extended upto 31.03.2026 vide this Ministry's letter No. E(NG)I-2020/PM1/9 dated 04.03.2024.

The matter regarding continuity of the GDCE scheme has been under consideration of the Board for quite some time. It has now been decided that the currency of the GDCE scheme may be extended for another period of two years from 31/03/2026 i.e. upto 31.03.2028.

The other instructions and the clarification/modification related with the GDCE scheme and its procedures as issued from time to time separately shall also continue up to the time this scheme is valid as above.

Please acknowledge receipt.

DA:Nil



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No. NFIR/II/6/2026

Dated: 11/02/2026

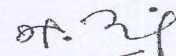
Copy of Railway Board's letter No. E(NG)I/2020/PM1/9 dated 10/02/2026 (RBE No. 12/2026) sent to GS/NFIR relating to the subject matter is forwarded to the General Secretaries of Affiliated Unions of NFIR for information and necessary action. Affiliates may take note that the subject matter is pending with the Railway Board vide NFIR's PNM Agenda Item No. 24/2018 & 31/2018 wherein last communication was sent vide letter of even number dated 27/11/2025.

Affiliates may also take note that NFIR's suggestions for making the GDCE Scheme permanent has been noted in the Railway Board and will be considered at appropriate time in future, if required.

C/: Media Centre/NFIR.

C/: File No. NFIR/II/2/2026.

C/: File No. 24/2018 & 31/2018 (PNM).



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