

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Divisional Railway Manager's Office
Personnel Department
Chennai Division
Chennai -600003

SR-MASOPERS(TFCC)/85/2023
COMP NO: 391901

Date: 31st January 2025

(Notification No: 10/2025)

**All Supervisory Officials of Operating Department/
Chennai Division.**

Sub: Selection for the post of Section Controller in Level 6
of VII PC against 75% PQ Quota from serving
employees of Operating Department.

Ref: PBC No. 02/2025 Dated 03-01-2025.

It is proposed to fill up the following vacancies in the category of Section Controller in Level-6 of 7thCPC pay matrix in Operating Department/MAS Division against 75% PQ quota by calling volunteers from the eligible employees from SM's in PML 6, Guards in PML 5 & 6 & Shunting Master/TNC in PML4/PML6 of Operating Department, Chennai division for the number of earmarked vacancies as per % distribution given below.

The Post of Section Controller is a Safety Category post.

Category	Level in VII PC	Community wise breakup			Total vacancy (Excluding PwBDS)	PwBDS
		UR	SC	ST		
SECTION CONTROLLER PQ 75%	Level- 6	02	02	01	05*	N/A

*The above indicated vacancies are provisional.

The eligibility conditions and selection process is as under:

1	Application	Eligible volunteers can apply <u>only through online</u> in the following link: https://www.pbmas.in/notifications/
2	Eligible staff to apply	As indicated in RBE No.40/2020, the employees working in Station Master, Guards , Shunting Master/TNC category are eligible to apply
3	Age	The upper age limit is 52 years as on the date of notification as per as per PCPO Lr. No. P(R)608/P/Vol. XI Dated 10-07-2023.

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4	Educational Qualification	N/A			
As per PCPO Lr. No. P(R)608/P/Vol. XI Dated 10-07-2023 Service conditions are furnished below.					
5	Service conditions	Category	Proportionate Quota out of 75% Percentage	No of vacancy to be filled from	Conditions
		SM's in PML 6	55%	3	Employees should have put in a minimum service of 2 years as on the date of notification
		Guards in PML 5 & 6	10%	1	Employees should have put in a minimum service of 2 years as on the date of notification
		Shunting Master/TNC in PML4-6	10%	1	(i) Employees working as shunting Master Gr. I/CTNC (PML 6) should have put in a minimum of 2 years of service as Sh. Master/I or CTNC as on the date of notification; and (ii) Employees working as Shunting Master-Gr. II/Sr. TNC (PML 4) should have put in a minimum of 6 years of service in aggregate as on the date of notification.
6	Staff joined on request transfer on bottom seniority in this Division.	Service rendered by them in the old unit will be reckoned for determining their eligibility in the new unit subject to the condition, that the service so allowed to be counted does not exceed the length of service of their immediate senior in the new unit (RBE 34/2006). He/she is otherwise eligible to be considered for the selection to Group 'C' posts as per the extant rules; and the category in which he was working in the old unit is an eligible category for the selection/post in the new unit also. (RBE 99/2006).			
7	Cut-off date	The cut-off date for determining the eligibility of the employees will be the date of issue of notification (RBE 117/2006).			
8	Syllabus	Enclosed. In terms of PBC.No.205/2016, 10% of the total marks will be set on Official Language Policy and Rules. But answering the questions on OL policy will not be compulsory and is purely optional.			
9	Pre-selection/ training to eligible SC/ST employees	There is pre promotional training since it is a safety category post and also since there are 02-SC & 01 ST vacancies earmarked for reserved community. Pre-promotional training to eligible 'SC' & 'ST' employees covering the syllabus of the examination will be imparted for a period of 3-4 weeks. (RBE 174/1997).			

		Pre-Promotional training will be conducted by the Controlling Officer Covering the syllabus for prescribed period for employees belonging to SC/ST community. After completion of pre-selection training, a certificate is to be issued by controlling officer that all the eligible employees have been imparted the pre-selection training for a period of 3 - 4 weeks.
10	Mode of selection	The selection shall consist of written examination and perusal of Record of Service (i.e. Service Register and APAR grading) (RBE 165/2003). All the staff who have volunteered and fulfill the eligibility conditions prescribed above would be eligible to appear in the written examination. The employees who secure 60% in written test and 60% aggregate will be considered for empanelment upto the no of notified vacancies subject to their suitability being adjudged bases on the result of the written examination and on scrutiny of record of service as per guidelines issued by the railway Board and Headquarters. The post of Section Controller, Operating Department being classified as safety category post there is no relaxation in qualifying marks for employees belonging to the category of SC/ST and hence they are also required to secure 60% marks in the written examination (In terms of Railway Board's letter No. E(NG)2000/PN1/41 dated 07-08-2003) In terms of PBC 204/2024 the written examination will be conducted under Centralized Computer Based Test (CCBT) mode.
11	Written Examination	(i) The selection consists of written test as per Board's letter No.E(NG)/1/2018/PM1/4 dated 14-12-2018 (RBE 196/2018). The Question Paper will be 100% Objective type multiple choice questions. (ii) In terms of PBC.No.205/2016, 10% of the total marks will be set on Official Language Policy and Rules. But the questions on the same will not be of compulsory in nature and is purely optional. (iii) In terms of PCPO/MAS Letter No. P(R) 608/P/Vol. XV(OL) dated 28-06-2019, Question Papers will be in Trilingual (English, Hindi & Tamil language) for the selection. (iv) In terms of Railway board letter No.E(NG) 1/2018/PM 1/4 dated 14-11-2019 (RBE 194/2019) there will be negative marking @ 1/3 mark for a wrong answer for PQ Selection where panel is arranged in the order of merit from those qualified. (v) In terms of PBC 268/2022 the written examination shall be conducted CCBT (Centralized Computer based Test) mode. (vi) The instructions for CBT will be issued in due course. (vii) Electronic devices will not be allowed inside the examination hall and the violators of the above guidelines will be taken up under DAR.

		In terms of Para 3 of RBE No:122/2023 in case of the question(s)/ Answer(s) in the Questions paper are incorrect, the procedure as prescribed in letter no:2010/E(RRB)/25/27 dated: 09-06-2011 is to be adopted only for those candidates who have attempted that/those incorrect question(s) or question(s) with wrong answer(s).
12	Supplementary examination	There will be no Supplementary written examination.
13	Medical classification	Not specifically provided since the eligible category of staff have higher medical standard.
14	Procedure for Empanelment	The final panel will be drawn in the order of merit based on aggregate marks of 'Professional Ability' and 'Record of Service', in terms of Rly Bd's Letter No.(NG)I-2008/PM 7/4SLP Dt: 19-06-2009 [RBE 113/2009] & Letter No. E(NG)I – 2011/PM1/26, dt. 06-02-2014 [RBE No. 17/2014] since volunteers are called across cadres/departments without restriction of field. However, a candidate must secure a minimum of 60% marks in the 'Professional Ability' and 60% marks in the aggregate for consideration of placement in the panel and the final empanelment is subject to the availability of vacancies. As the final panel will be drawn on the basis of merit, there will be no classification as "Outstanding".
15	Training after empanelment.	The Promotion of the empanelled employees will be subject to their successful completion of their prescribed training at MDZTI/TPJ and practical training at Divisional level.

16. Notifying the staff

- 16.1 Wide publicity should be given amongst staff of SM's in PML 6, Guards in PML 5 & 6 & Shunting Master/TNC in PML4 & PML6 Operating Department of Chennai division. The copy of notification should be displayed on notice board at a conspicuous place. All the Supervisors concerned should ensure the same.
- 16.2 Staff who are on deputation/leave/sick should also be notified to enable them to submit their applications through proper channel in time. It is the responsibility of the Supervisor concerned to bring the notification to the notice of staff on deputation/leave/Sick under clear acknowledgement.
- 16.3 If any complaint is received from employees for not being notified of the said notification, supervisory staff concerned will be held responsible.

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17 METHOD OF APPLICATION

Employees who are eligible as per the terms and conditions notified above, should submit their applications “on-line” in the portal in the Chennai Division website through the link : <https://www.pbmas.in/notifications/>

Opening date for on-line registration **31-01-2025**

Closing date for on-line registration **25-02-2025**

Please note that physical applications (in paper format) will not be accepted and will be rejected summarily.

The method of submitting application will be

- Employee should fill in the details in the on-line portal in the prescribed proforma/format
- After completely filling the online application, the application should be downloaded and forwarding signature of the supervisor should be obtained on the downloaded application
- After this, the application should be scanned (PDF Format) and uploaded in the website.
- The employee should upload relevant document(s) along with the application at the time of submission. (SC/ST employees should necessarily enclose the attested copy of Community certificate issued by the competent authority)

In case the application is not uploaded after obtaining the signature of the supervisor, it will be considered as ‘unwillingness of the employee’ and the name of the employee will not be considered any further. It shall be the responsibility of the Supervisors concerned to give wide publicity about this notification including those who are working outside the Division on temporary transfer/deputation etc., whose lien is with MAS Division, as well as those who are either on leave or on sick list.

18. GENERAL

After scrutiny, the list of eligible employees to appear in the selection will be notified in the website. Hence, employees may keep a constant watch to get the updates. It shall be noted that on submitting application, the employee becomes equally responsible for ascertaining his eligibility and appearing in the written examination, if eligible, etc. Hence, they have to watch the updates at frequent intervals, which will be posted in the website (www.pbmas.in) regarding this selection. This notification is also available in Chennai Division Personnel Department website at Railnet.

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Tentative Schedule for the Selection		
Sl.	Details	Schedule
1	Final date for submission of application	Latest by 25-02-2025
2	Publication of eligibility list	Latest by 10-03-2025
3	PPT	To be conducted between 16-03-2025 to 30-04-2025
4	Notification of Final number of vacancies	Latest by 20-05-2025
5	Written Examination & Aptitude Test (if applicable)	21-05-2025 to 10-06-2025
6	Finalization of Panel	Latest by 30-06-2025

Encl: Syllabus.

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Copy to: PCPO, PCOM for kind information please
Sr.DOM/MAS for kind information please.
TI/HQ & TI/Staff – for necessary information & notice board display.
JE/IT – for uploading in website
Employee Concerned - Through Supervisor Officials.
Divl. Secy/SRMU, Divl. Secy/DREU,
Divl.Secy/AISC/ST REA Divl.Secy/AIOBC REA.

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Annexure-I**SYLLABUS FOR THE POST OF SECTION CONTROLLER****IN LEVEL 6 OF VII CPC PAY MATRIX****(Ref: M/T.260/Optg/SCOR/Selection/2023 dt.27.11.2023)**

1. Definition of Chapter-1 of GRS.
2. Various System of working in force in Southern Railway.
3. Signals –kind, functions, aspects of indication, and advantage of color light signals over semaphore signals-LA-MAQ, shunting signals.
4. Route indicator- point, point track, shunting permitted indicator, MSDAC, HASSDAC, SSDAC.
5. Various standards of interlocking, RKI, CTC, RRI and EI and Data logger.
6. Time table- Public and Working Time Table, Standard Time, Running Time.
7. Maximum Permissible Speed, Booked Speed, Speed over the facing points.
8. Disconnection and Various types of signal maintenance- cable meggering, IPS maintenance, joint inspection of points and crossings, integrity testing, auto section maintenance and EI maintenance, crank handle maintenance, LC gate maintenance.
9. Procedure to deal Trains during S &T Failures and disconnection of gears.
10. COA, FOIS and ICMS.
11. Marshalling Order of Trains, Starting of trains, concept of crossing/precedence and order of precedence.
12. Punctuality and factors affecting punctuality of trains.
13. Marshalling yards- various components- congestion and measures to reduce congestion, major sidings & yards of Chennai Division.
14. Freight operations- Line Capacity, Throughput, BPC (Coaching & Freight trains), various types of Coaching & Goods Stock and ODC.
15. Operating Statistics.
16. Average Speed of Goods trains Factors affecting speed of Goods Trains.
17. Working of trains- shunting, securing and various ATP.
18. Total Interruption of communication- single line working on double line.
19. Station Working rules and NI working.
20. Procedure for imposing Line Blocks, Power Blocks and S &T disconnections.
21. Various machines used for track maintenance and its working on line.
22. Concept of Rolling Blocks.
23. Imposition and cancellation of Caution Orders.
24. Various types of motive power.
25. Some basic concepts of train controlling and organizational set up of Control organizations.
26. Accidents- classification, duties of various categories of staff during an accident.
27. Preferential traffic schedule.