

**RAILWAY PROTECTION FORCE**  
**(Government of India)**  
**(Ministry of Railways)**  
**EMPLOYMENT NOTICE NO 01/2017**

Applications are invited from eligible Male and Female candidates for filling up the posts of Constable in the Pay Band of Rs.5200-20200/- + Grade Pay Rs. 2000/- in the Railway Protection Force (RPF) including Railway Protection Special Force (RPSF). Details are given below:

**1. NUMBER OF VACANCIES:**

SC	ST	OBC	UR	TOTAL
3317	3363	4371	8901	19952

**Note (1)** Reservation for Ex-Servicemen will be 10% of the vacancies. Further category-wise break up for SC, ST and OBC will not be done under this quota.

**Note (2)** 10% of the vacancies shall be filled up by female candidates.

**Note (3) (a)** The number of vacancies shown under various categories is provisional and may increase or decrease or even become nil depending upon the requirement of the Railway Administration.

**(b)** The Railway Administration reserves the right to cancel the recruitment as well as the notified vacancies at its discretion at any time and such decision shall be binding on all concerned.

**(c)** In the event of cancellation of the recruitment, the examination fee will not be refunded.

**(d)** The Post of Constable in the Railway Protection Force including the Railway Protection Special Force has not been identified as suitable for persons with disabilities by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.

**(e)** The selected candidates will be liable to serve anywhere in India in the Railway Protection Force including the Railway Protection Special Force.

**2. PAY AND ALLOWANCES:**

The post carries a Pay of Rs.8460/- in the Pay Band of Rs.5200-20200/- including Grade Pay of Rs. 2000/- with such allowances that are admissible under Railway Rules.

**3. INELIGIBILITY:**

No person who has entered into or contracted a marriage with a person having a spouse living or who, having a spouse living, has entered into or contracted a marriage with any person shall be eligible for appointment in the RPF including RPSF.

**4. ELIGIBILITY:**

a) **Citizenship:** The applicant must be a citizen of India.

b) **Education:** The applicant must have passed the Matriculation or equivalent examination conducted by a recognized Board. Educational qualification obtained from institutions other than a recognized State Board or Central Board should be submitted along with the Government of India notification declaring that such educational qualification is equivalent to Matriculation/Xth Class for employment under Central Government.

c) **Age:** The applicant must not be less than 18 years and not more than 25 years as on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017 That is, he/she must not have born before 01.07.1992 and after 01.07.1999. Age mentioned in the Matriculation or equivalent certificate will only be accepted.

d) **Relaxation in Age:**

i) Relaxation in upper age limit up to 5 years will be admissible to applicants belonging to SC/ST category and up to 3 years to those belonging to OBC category.

- ii) Upper age limit is relaxable up to 5 years for those persons who had ordinarily domiciled in the State of J&K during the period from 1<sup>st</sup> January 1980 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 1989. The applicants claiming relaxation under this category must produce a certificate to this effect from the District Magistrate within whose jurisdiction they had ordinarily resided or from any other authority designated in this behalf by the Government of J&K.
- iii) Relaxation in upper age limit to the extent of defense service plus 03 years is applicable to Ex-servicemen provided break in service and re-employment should not exceed 02 years and they must have put in at least 06 months after attestation.

e) **Physical Standards:** An applicant must have the following physical standards:

Category	Height Male (Cms)	Chest Unexpanded Male (Cms)	Chest Expanded Male (Cms)*	Height Female (Cms)
UR/OBC	165	80	85	157
SC/ST	160	76.2	81.2	152
Hillman**	163	80	85	155

\* A minimum expansion of 5 Cms in chest is essential

\*\* For Garhwalis, Gorkhas, Kumaonese, Dogras, Marathas, persons hailing from Himachal Pradesh, Sikkim, Ladakh, Kashmir Valley and North Eastern States subject to production of Domicile certificate from the District Magistrate/ SDM/Tehsildar and other categories specified by Government from time-to time

#### 5. **METHOD OF RECRUITMENT:**

Recruitment will be made based on the performance of the eligible applicants in a Written Examination, Physical Efficiency Test, Physical Measurement, Viva-Voce Test, Bonus Marks, if any, obtained and Documents Verification.

#### A. **WRITTEN EXAMINATION:**

- (a) The Written Examination will consist of 120 multiple-choice objective type questions of one mark each and shall be of 90 minutes duration. The questions paper will be of matriculation standard with 120 as maximum marks. The question paper will consist of 35 questions on General Intelligence & Reasoning, 35 questions on Arithmetic and 50 questions on General Awareness. Candidates will be required to answer all the questions. Each correct answer will be awarded 1(one) mark and 1 (one) mark will be deducted for 4 (four) incorrect answers. No mark shall be awarded or deducted for questions not attempted.
- (b) Candidates must bring the Call Letter at the time of written test. Call letter will be sent by post. No one will be allowed to appear in the written examination without a call letter.
- (c) Question Paper will be set in the languages shown in the third column of the table given below. The corresponding Nodal Chief Security Commissioner to whom the application should be sent is also shown in the table. Applicants who wish to have the question paper in a particular language may indicate so in the Application Form. Language, once chosen cannot be changed under any circumstance.

Group	Nodal Chief Security Commissioner	Languages
1	North Eastern Railway, Gorakhpur, UP.	Hindi, English, Urdu, Punjabi, Gujarati.
2	Eastern Railway, Kolkata.	Hindi, English, Urdu, Assamese, Manipuri, Bengali, Oriya.
3	East Coast Railway, Bhubaneswar	Hindi, English, Urdu, Oriya, Telugu, Marathi, Gujarati
4	Southern Railway, Chennai.	Hindi, English, Urdu, Tamil, Malayalam, Telugu, Kannada, Konkani, Marathi

(d) The call letter will contain the date, place, venue and time of the examination and other instructions, if any on this subject.

(e) **A candidate must obtain at least 35% Marks (30% in the case of SC and ST candidates) in the Written Examination for being considered for other Test/Tests.**

#### **B. PHYSICAL EFFICIENCY TEST (PET) AND PHYSICAL MEASUREMENT:**

- a) PET will consist of three events namely, 1600mts/800mts run, High Jump and Long Jump. **A candidate has to qualify in all the three events as shown in the table given below.** No marks shall be awarded to any of the events. The minimum qualifying standard for each event is as specified under:

Event	Male	Female	Number of chances
1600 meters	5 min 45 sec	Not applicable	One
800 meters	Not applicable	3 min 40 sec	One
High Jump	3 feet 9 inches	3 feet	Two
Long Jump	14 feet	9 feet	Two

Only those applicants who qualify in the Written Examination shall be called for PET and Physical Measurement. The manner in which the candidates are to be called and the number of candidates to be called for PET and Physical Measurement will be decided in such a way that candidates, to the extent of three times the number of notified vacancies in each category, are selected purely on the basis of merit to appear for viva-voce and documents verification.

- b) For the sake of convenience, 1600meters/800 meters run will be held first. Applicants qualifying in this event will take part in the remaining events of PET. Height and chest of those who qualify in the PET will be measured next. Applicants, who fail in any of the events of the PET or in physical measurement, either of height or chest, will be declared 'fail' and shall be escorted out of the venue after putting an indelible ink mark on the index finger of the left hand. Their call letters will not be returned.
- c) PET will be held at a place and on a date decided by the respective Nodal Chief Security Commissioner. The applicants will be informed of the same in advance.
- d) There will be no PET for Ex-Servicemen.
- e) The call letter for PET will give further instructions, if any, on this subject.

#### **C. VIVA-VOCE AND DOCUMENTS VERIFICATION:**

- (a) Candidates who qualify in the PET and Physical Measurement will be called for a Viva-Voce Test and Documents Verification. However, the number of candidates

called for Viva-Voce and Documents Verification shall not exceed three times the number of notified vacancies in each category. The candidates must produce all original documents in support of their educational qualification, age, SC/ST/OBC status, where applicable (on the format prescribed in the advertisement), domicile and any other extra curricular activities including NCC at the time of Viva-Voce and documents verification. Request for production of the original documents on a later day will not be entertained under any circumstance. Failure to produce the document may lead to disqualification of the candidate.

- (b) The purpose of the Viva-Voce Test is to determine the general intelligence, awareness, alertness and soldierly traits and to assess the overall suitability of the applicant for employment in the Railway Protection Force. Personal appearance in the Viva-Voce Test is compulsory. Those who fail to do so will not be considered in the final selection irrespective of their performance in the Written Examination.
- (c) Maximum mark for the Viva-Voce Test is 5.
- (d) **Bonus marks (Maximum 5):**  
 Bonus marks are allotted as under:
- i) NCC: -
    - B Certificate of NCC – 01 mark
    - C Certificate of NCC – 02 mark
    - Maximum mark for NCC certificates is 02.
    - Benefit is available only on production of Original Certificate.
    - This benefit is not available to Ex-Servicemen.
  - ii) SPORTS:-
    - Represented University at inter-university sports - 01 mark
    - Represented State at inter-state sports – 02 marks
    - Represented India at international sports meet – 03 marks.
    - Medal winner at national level sports meet – 03 marks
  - iii) HEIGHT:-
    - A male applicant whose height is 178 cms or more and a female applicant whose height is more than 165 cms will be given 03 marks as bonus.
  - iv) Total Bonus Marks for all categories put together shall not exceed 5.
- (e) The call letter for the Viva-Voce test will contain further instructions, if any, on this subject.

**6. MEDICAL EXAMINATION:**

The applicants who are finally selected will be sent for a medical examination at a Railway Hospital. They will have to qualify in medical category 'B-1' as per the Indian Railway Medical Manual. Those wearing glasses or having flat foot, knock-knee, squint eye, colour blindness and other bodily defects are not eligible for appointment.

**7. TRAINING:**

The candidates will have to undergo a rigorous initial training in any one of the RPF/RPSF Training Centers or any such Institution as decided by the Railway Administration in the event of their selection. The trainee recruits will be given a stipend of Rs. 5200/- + Grade Pay Rs.2000/- plus other allowances as admissible under the Railway Rules during the period of training. Passing the Final Examination at the end of the training is a must.

## 8. **HOW TO APPLY:**

**A. Examination Fee:** An examination fee of Rs.40 is payable in the form of a crossed Indian Postal Order or a crossed Bank draft. Cheque or Money Order will not be accepted. Female applicants, applicants belonging to SC/ST category, Minorities and Economically Backward Classes and Ex-servicemen need not pay the Examination Fee.

Minorities will mean Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists and Zoroastrians (Parsis).

Economically backward classes will mean the candidates whose family income is less than Rs.50000/- (rupees fifty thousand) per annum. The following authorities are authorised to issue income certificates for the purpose of identifying economically backward classes:

- i) District magistrate or any other revenue officer upto the level of Tahsildar.
- ii) Sitting Member of Parliament of Lok Sabha for persons of their own constituency.
- iii) BPL Card or any other certificate issued by Central Government under a recognized Poverty alleviation programme or Izzat MST issued by railways.
- iv) Union Minister may also recommend any person from anywhere in the country.
- v) Sitting Member of Parliament of Rajya Sabha for persons of the district in which these MPs normally reside.

The income certificate issued by the authorities mentioned above will have to be on the Format given in Annexure 'E'.

**B.Application form: a)** The format of the application form is given in Annexure 'A'. Application forms can be downloaded from the official website of Indian Railways ([www.indianrailways.gov.in](http://www.indianrailways.gov.in)) or taken from the Employment News or from this advertisement and submitted on A-4 size bond paper, using one side only and sent to the Nodal Chief Security Commissioner corresponding to the language chosen for the Question Paper. Only one application need be sent. The addresses of the Nodal Chief Security Commissioners, the details of the person in whose favour the Draft/IPO shall be drawn and the place where payable are given below. The languages for the question paper are also shown against each Nodal Chief Security Commissioner for the convenience of the applicants.

Group No.	Address of the Nodal Chief Security Commissioner	Draft/IPO drawn in favour of	Place where Payable	Languages for question paper
1	The Chief Security Commissioner, North Eastern Railway, Post Box Number- 2 Head Post Office, Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh.	The Financial Advisor and Chief Accounts Officer, North Eastern Railway.	Gorakhpur, UP	Hindi, English, Urdu, Punjabi, Gujarati.
2	The Chief Security Commissioner, Eastern Railway Post Box Number - 840 GPO, Kolkata- 700001.	The Financial Advisor and Chief Accounts Officer, Eastern Railway.	Kolkata	Hindi, English, Urdu, Assamese, Manipuri, Bengali, Oriya.
3	The Chief Security Commissioner, East Coast Railway, Post Box Number – 1 GPO, Bhubaneswar, Orissa.	The Financial Advisor and Chief Accounts Officer, East Coast Railway	Bhubaneswar	Hindi, English, Urdu, Oriya, Telugu, Marathi, Gujarati

4	The Chief Security Commissioner, Southern Railway, Post Box Number– 545 Park Town Head Post Office, Park Town, Chennai – 600003.	The Financial Advisor and Chief Accounts Officer, Southern Railway.	Chennai	Hindi, English, Urdu, Tamil, Malayalam, Telugu, Kannada, Konkani, Marathi
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- b) The words, **“APPLICATION FOR THE POST OF CONSTABLE IN RPF INCLUDING RPSF”** shall be superscribed on the envelope containing the application.
- b) The exact date, time, place and venue for the tests will be intimated to the candidates through Call Letters.
- d) Applications should be sent through ordinary post only. No application will be received by hand or by registered post or through private courier service.
- e) Applications should be filled by the candidates in their own handwriting, in Hindi or English only. Left Hand thumb impression in the case of Male applicants and Right Hand thumb impression in case of Female applicants shall be affixed in the box given at the bottom of the application. Applications signed in capital letters/spaced-out letters will be treated as invalid. Applications with correction or overwriting or smudged thumb impression may be rejected.
- f) Coloured photograph (3.5 cms x 4.5 cms) of the applicant should be pasted at the space provided in the application form with clear front view of the face without cap and sunglasses.
- g) Applications must be accompanied by:
- A Crossed Indian Postal Order or a Crossed Bank Draft for Rs. 40/- wherever necessary.
  - Copy of self attested Matriculation certificate as proof of Educational Qualification and Age.
  - Copy of self attested SC/ST/OBC Community Certificate in the prescribed format given at Annexure 'B'/'C' wherever applicable.
  - Declaration by applicants belonging to OBC in the format given in Annexure 'D'.
  - Copy of Domicile Certificate where applicable.
  - Copy of Discharge Certificate for Ex-servicemen.
  - One coloured photograph (3.5 cms x 4.5 cms) with clear front view of the face without cap and sunglasses mentioning the name of the candidate on the reverse side in addition to the one pasted on the application
  - Two self addressed envelopes (28 cms x 12 cms) each bearing postal stamp of Rs.5/- duly affixed.
  - Certificate for Economically backward classes for claiming concession in fee.
- h) Applications may be rejected on the following grounds:
- Applications, which are not submitted in the format given in Annexure 'A'.
  - Non enclosure of Bank Draft or IPO or Certificate of Economically backward class wherever applicable.
  - Coloured photograph as prescribed not pasted on the application.
  - Un-signed or Incomplete or illegible application.
  - Under-age or Over-age.
  - Non enclosure of Copy of Matriculation certificate or equivalent for proof of educational qualification and age.
  - Application filled in a language other than English or Hindi
  - Non enclosure of copy of SC/ST/OBC certificate in the prescribed format by applicants belonging to the respective categories.
  - Non enclosure of copy of Discharge certificate in case of Ex-Servicemen.
  - Non enclosure of Declaration by applicants belonging to OBC in the format given in Annexure 'D'.

- xi) Non enclosure of domicile certificate wherever applicable.
- xii) Applications received after the last date for receipt of application.
- xiii) Non enclosure of self addressed and stamped envelopes.
- xiv) Non enclosure of additional photo.
- xv) Non compliance of any other instruction/requirement.

#### **9.NOTES:**

- a) Applicants called for Written Examination/PET/Viva-Voce and Documents Verification shall make their own arrangements for boarding, lodging and transport.
- b) The applicants called for the PET will take part in the events at their own risk. Railways will not be liable to compensate the candidates in any way, in case they suffer any injury while undertaking the PET. They should bring with them sports gears such as sports shoes, shorts, vest etc. Nothing will be provided by the Railways.
- c) Candidates must bring writing materials such as pen, pencils etc for the written test.
- d) Railway Passes to the eligible candidates shall be issued as per extant Railway Rules.
- e) Impersonation, if any, detected at any stage of the recruitment, may result in initiating criminal cases against the applicant and the impersonator as well as canceling the candidature of the applicant.
- f) Candidates found to be having adverse report on their antecedents and character may not be appointed in RPF including RPSF. False declaration is an offence under the law and will lead to disqualification of the applicant, institution of criminal case and also dismissal from service, if appointed. Hence, applicants are advised to be careful while filling in the application.
- g) The decision of Selection Committee on all matters relating to eligibility, place, venue, date, mode of selection, acceptance or rejection of the application will be final and binding on the applicants.
- h) If a candidate has any grievance regarding physical measurement and the Chairman of the Recruitment Committee does not redress the same, he may, within three days, approach the Grievance Redress Cell in the office of the Zonal Chief Security Commissioner concerned whose decision shall be final.
- i) Persons applying under the Ex. servicemen quota should note that in accordance with the instructions of the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pension, Govt. of India, an applicant who has already availed the benefit of Ex. serviceman's status and got any Govt. job shall not be allowed to avail the benefit under the Ex. Serviceman quota in this recruitment.
- j) An applicant serving under a Govt. or Public Sector Enterprise/Undertaking including Railways will be considered for appointment only after he/she furnishes a No Objection Certificate duly issued by the employer at the time of Viva-Voce along with an undertaking from the employer that in case of selection, the department will spare the candidate for joining the RPF.
- k) The Railway Administration reserves the right to call an applicant to any place for the Written Examination/PET /Viva-Voce/Documents Verification.
- l) Railway Protection Force includes Railway Protection Special Force.
- m) The Railway Administration shall not be responsible for postal delay or wrong delivery of the Application or any Call letter
- n) Canvassing in any form will be a disqualification.

#### **10. Last date for receipt of Application: 14 October, 2017**

Sd/-  
(C.Thamotharan)  
Chief Security Commissioner,  
North Eastern Railway &  
Coordinating Nodal Chief Security Commissioner.  
Gorakhpur