SOUTH EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY

HEADQUARTER, PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT, RAILWAY RECRUITMENT CELL, R.T.S., Bilaspur (C.G.) - 495004

Employment Notice No. RRC/SECR/ 01/2026, dated 17/01/2026

"Recruitment against Sports Quota (Open Advertisement) for the year 2025-26"

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS

(i) Please read the information given in the Notification thoroughly before filling up the ONLINE application.

(ii) Candidates must ensure that they fulfil all the prescribed educational and Sports Achievement criteria for the post on or before the date for submitting online application against this Notification. Candidates waiting for final results of prescribed educational / sports achievement criteria are not eligible to apply.

1. South East Central Railway invites ONLINE applications from the eligible sports persons who are citizens of India, for filling up 22 posts (21 Posts Group 'C' + 01 Post Group 'D' of the Sports Quota (as in item 2) for the year 2025-26 over South East Central Railway. There is no reservation for SC/ST/OBC/EWS. Further, only the candidates qualified in the Trials will be called for further process.

SCHEDULE

Opening Date and Time for online Application	17/01/2026, 10:00 Hrs.
Closing Date and Time of online Applications	16/02/2026, 23:59 Hrs.

2. BREAK-UP OF POSTS – DISCIPLINE WISE

(A) Level 5/4 (7th PC)

Sr. No.	Name of the game	Men/ Women	Events/Position	No. of posts
01	Archery	Men	Recurve	01
02	Archery	Women	Recurve	01
03	Athletics	Women	20 KM Race Walk	01
04	Badminton	Men	—	01
05	Boxing	Men	51-55 KG	01
	Total			05(Five)

(B) Level 3/2 (7th PC)

S.No.	Name of the game	Men/ Women	Events/Position	No. of posts
01	Archery	Women	Compound	01
02	Athletics	Men	20 KM Race Walk	01
03	Athletics	Men	100 Mtrs Run	01
04	Athletics	Men	High Jump	01
05	Athletics	Men	10,000 Mtrs Run	01
06	Athletics	Women	200 Mtrs Run	01
07	Badminton	Men	—	01
08	Badminton	Women	—	01
09	Boxing	Men	51-55 Kgs	01
10	Boxing	Men	65-70 Kgs	01
11	Weightlifting	Women	58 Kgs	01
12	Weightlifting	Women	63 Kgs	01
13	Powerlifting	Women	52 Kgs	01
14	Powerlifting	Women	84+ Kgs	01
15	Powerlifting	Women	47 Kgs	01
16	Lawn Tennis	Men	—	01
	Total			16 (Sixteen)

(C) Level-1 (7th PC)

Sr. No.	Name of the game	Men/ Women	Events/Position	No. of posts
1	Athletics	Women	3000 Mtr Steeple Chase	01
	Total			01(One)

Note:-

i. The Railway Administration reserves the right to modify the number of vacancies.

ii. The sportspersons having the sports norms for higher Grade Pay and applied against the vacancies for the lower Grade Pay, can be considered only in the lower Grade Pay and at the time of DV/trial, he/she will have to submit undertaking that after joining Railway, he/she will not claim for higher level of pay on the basis of sports achievement prior to joining Railways.

iii. If Suitable/eligible candidates are not found for Pay Level 5/4 against the sports discipline mentioned in Para 2 (A) above, these vacancies of Pay Level 5/4 may be downgraded in Pay Level 3/2 in same sports discipline. Players who are eligible for Pay Level 3/2 may also apply for notified sports discipline of Pay Level 5/4 but their final selection shall be subject downgrading of the posts by competent authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS:-

3.1 Age Limit

Minimum 18 years and maximum 25 years as on 01/07/2026, i.e. must have been born not earlier than 02/07/2001 and not later than 01/07/2008.

(No relaxation in lower or upper age limit for any Community of candidate).

Copy of Matriculation or its equivalent certificate from a recognized Board, OR the Birth Certificate should be submitted for proof of Date of Birth.

3.2 IMPORTANT: Candidates must note that the date of birth filled in their application should be the same as recorded in their Matriculation / SSLC/10th class pass or an equivalent certificate. No subsequent request for change in date of birth will be considered. Any difference in the date of birth will lead to disqualification of the candidate.

3.3 Educational Qualification:

Pay Levels	Educational Qualification
5/4	Minimum Graduation in any Discipline from a recognized University.
3/2	Passed 12th (+2 stage) OR its Equivalent Examination OR Passed Matriculation plus Course Completed Act Apprenticeship OR Passed Matriculation plus ITI approved by NCVT/SCVT. OR Passed 10th from a recognized Board may also eligible to be posted as Tech-III. However the training period for appointees will be 03 years unless they pass/possess ITI in the relevant trade in which case it will be 09 months Note:- Diploma in Engineering will not be considered as an alternative higher qualification against ITI.
1	10th Pass or ITI or Equivalent or National Apprenticeship Certificate (NAC) granted by NCVT

Note:- (i) Persons if appointed to the category of Clerk-cum-Typist should acquire Typing proficiency Test of 30 w.p.m. in English or 25 w.p.m. in Hindi within a period of four years from the date of appointment and till such time their appointments to this category will be provisional.

(ii) Candidates possessing higher qualification should produce graduation /Post graduation certificate at the time of trial.

(iii) No relaxation in minimum educational qualification shall be permissible in the case of Open Advertisement Recruitment.

3.4. Categorization of International Championships

Category-A	Olympic Games (Senior Category)
Category-B	World Cup (Junior / Youth/Senior Category) World Championships (Junior /Senior Category) Asian Games (Senior Category) Commonwealth Games (Senior Category) Youth Olympics Davis Cup (Tennis) Champions Trophy (Hockey) Thomas / Uber Cup (Badminton)
Category-C	Commonwealth Championships (Junior /Senior Category) Asian Championships / Asia Cup (Junior/Senior Category) South Asian Federation (SAF) Games (Senior Category) USIC (World Railways) Championships (Senior Category) World University Games

3.5. Minimum Sports Norms:-

S.N.	Pay Level	Minimum Sports Norms for recruitment
1.	Level-4/5	Represented the country in Olympics Games (Senior Category) (Category-A) OR Atleast 3rd position in any of the Category-B championships/ events, as categorized in Para 3.4 above.
2.	Level-2/3	Represented the country in any of the Category-B championships/events, as categorized in Para 3.4 above. OR Atleast 3rd position in any of the Category-C championships/ events, as categorized in Para 3.4 above. OR At least 3rd position in Senior/Youth/Junior National Championships OR At least 3rd position in National Games organized under aegis of Indian Olympic Association. OR Atleast 3rd position in All India Inter University Championship organized under the aegis of Association of Indian Universities. OR 1st position in Federation Cup Championships (Senior Category)
3.	Level-1	Represented the Country in any of the Category-C Championships/events, as categorized in Para 3.4 above. OR At least 3rd position in Federation Cup Championships (Senior Category). OR Represented a State or equivalent Unit, except in Marathon and Cross Country. With **at least 8th position in Senior National Championships only.**

4. Additional acceptable sports achievements eligibility norms for certain disciplines as notified below:-

4.1. In Athletics: - Medal winning performance in National Inter State Senior Athletics Championships may also be considered for recruitment against the posts having Grade Pay Rs. 1,900 in Pay Band Rs.5, 200-20,200.

In Athletics: - Gold Medal Winner in Open National Championships (Senior), Inter State Athletics Championships (Senior) and Asian Championships (Senior) may be considered for recruitment in GP- 2000/2400

4.2. Badminton & Lawn Tennis: - In Badminton, Table Tennis and Tennis, sportspersons may also be considered for recruitment on the basis of their current Annual All India Ranking, in different Grade Pay and Pay Bands, as per following criteria:-

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Pay Level	Minimum Sports norms for Recruitment		
	Age Category	Event	Current Annual All India Ranking
Pay Level-5/4	Seniors	Singles	Upto 06th Position
Pay Level-3/2	Seniors	Singles	Upto 20th Position
		Doubles	Upto 04th Position
	Youth	Singles	Upto 06th Position
	Juniors	Singles	Upto 06th Position

Only the current Annual All India Ranking shall be considered for these purposes. For the purpose the highest ranking may be considered valid for one year for the purpose recruitment. Ranking in Mixed-Doubles shall be considered only in Badminton and not in Tennis and Table Tennis.

In Tennis, medal winning performance in National Inter State Sr. Championships may also be considered for recruitment against posts having Grade Pay Rs. 1,900 in Pay Band Rs. 5,200-20,200.

In Badminton, below mentioned World Ranking will be eligible for Grade Pay mentioned against them:-

Pay Level	Age Category	Event	Current Annual World Ranking
Pay Level-5/4	Seniors	Singles	Upto 50th Position
	Juniors	Singles	Upto 30th Position
Pay Level-3/2	Seniors	Singles	Upto 70th Position
	Juniors	Singles	Upto 60th Position

4.3. In Boxing, the achievements of players in "Youth" category on or after 25.08.2016 in International Championships will be considered in place of "Junior" category.

4.4. Weightlifting (Women):- The eligibility for recruitments and trials of candidates having sports achievement certificates for the events conducted prior to 01.06.2025 for old weight categories, shall be decided as per the corresponding new weight categories, as detailed below:-

Senior Category		Youth Category	
Women		Women	
New Weight Category (Kg.)	Old Weight Category (Kg.)	New Weight Category (Kg.)	Old Weight Category (Kg.)
48 kg	45 kg, 45 kg – 49 kg	44 kg	40 kg – 45 kg
53 kg	49 kg – 55 kg	48 kg	45 kg – 49 kg
58 kg	55 kg – 59 kg	53 kg	49 kg – 55 kg
63 kg	59 kg – 64 kg	58 kg	55 kg – 59 kg
69 kg	64 kg – 71 kg	63 kg	59 kg – 64 kg
77 kg	71 kg – 76 kg	69 kg	64 kg – 71 kg
86 kg	76 kg – 81 kg & 87 kg	77 kg	71 kg – 76 kg
+86 kg	81 kg, 87 kg & +87 kg	+77 kg	71 kg, 76kg, 81 kg & +81 kg

4.5. Power lifting (Women): The event conducted by Indian Power lifting Federation (IPF) or its affiliated units after 03.10.2017, shall not be considered for recruitment, incentives and all other establishment matters, till further order. However, the certificates issued by the Association of Indian Universities and the International Federation for recognized sports achievement in the game of power lifting will be permissible for said purpose.

List of Junior National Championships Recognized by RSPB for Recruitment of Sports persons on Indian Railways Against Sports Quota.

Sl. No.	Discipline and Category	Details of Recognized Junior National Championship	
		Age Group	Name of Championship
1	Archery (M)	Under 19	Junior National Archery Championship
	Archery (W)	Under 19	Junior National Archery Championship
2	Athletics (M)	Under 20	Junior National Athletics Championship
	Athletics (W)	Under 20	Junior National Athletics Championship
3	Badminton (M)	Under 19	Junior National Badminton Championship
	Badminton (W)	Under 19	Junior National Badminton Championship
4	Boxing (M)	Under-17	Junior National Boxing Championship
5	Power lifting (W)	Under-23	Junior National Power lifting Championship
6	Lawn Tennis (M)	Under-18	DSCL National Tennis Championship (for all age groups)
		Under-18	Adidas Junior National Tennis Championship (for U-18 and below age groups)
7	Weight Lifting (W)	Under 20	Junior National Weight Lifting Championship

Note:-

1) **All the championships mentioned above should be conducted under the aegis of recognized International / National / State Sports Federations and recognized by the Railway Sports Promotion Board.**

2) For the norms mentioned above, only Senior National & Junior National Championships shall be taken into consideration. Rural meets, Festival meets & other similar tournaments shall not be considered.

3) Sports performance will be adjudged on the basis of the Participation in sports events held on or after **01.04. 2023.**

5. SELECTION PROCEDURE

The e-call letters for recruitment process would be available for download on RRC/SECR's website only 20 days before of the trial date. Call letters would not be sent by the post. All updates regarding the recruitment will be uploaded in www.secr.indianrailways.gov.in Applicants are advised to visit the website from time to time.

(i) Conduct of Trial: Trial of candidates shall be conducted to assess their sports performance/ suitability for the team of S.E. C. Railway. Candidates found FIT in the Trial will be considered for next stage selection. The following is the format of marks for the trial:-

Maximum Marks for Trial - 40 Marks

FIT candidates - 25 Marks or more

UNFIT candidates - Below 25 Marks

(ii) After Trial only the FIT candidates shall be considered for the next stage i.e. awarded the marks for the sports achievements & educational qualifications. No marks shall be given to the candidates declared UNFIT in the Trial for their sports achievements & educational qualifications. No communication shall be entertained from candidates in this regard.

(iii) Distribution of Marks - Maximum marks which can be awarded in the Trial and Assessment of Sports Achievements/Educational Qualification shall be as follows:-

a.	Performance during Trial	-	40 Marks
b.	Assessment of Sports Achievements	-	50 Marks
c.	Educational Qualification	-	10 Marks
	Total	=	100 Marks

Note:- For educational qualification, six marks shall be given to the candidate fulfilling only the minimum educational qualification, to the post against which he/ she is being considered for appointment. Candidate having higher educational qualification shall be given higher marks.

(iv) Qualifying Marks - Minimum qualifying marks for the recruitment through Open Advertisement in different Grade Pay, shall be as follows:-

S. No.	Name of Pay Band/Scale	Grade Pay	Pay Band	Minimum Qualifying Marks
		(In Rupees)		
(i)	PB-1	2800 (L-5)	5,200-20,200	70 Marks
(ii)	PB-1	2400 (L-4)	5,200-20,200	
(iii)	PB-1	2000 (L-3)	5,200-20,200	65 Marks
(iv)	PB-1	1900 (L-2)	5,200-20,200	
(v)	PB-1	1800 (L-1)	5,200-20,200	60 Marks

NOTE: (i) The offer of appointment shall be given purely on the basis of merit. In case more than one sportspersons secured the same marks, preference should be given to younger candidate to decide the merit.

(ii) The venue for trial fixed by South East Central Railway will be binding and final. Request for change of venue by the candidate shall NOT be entertained. The decision of South East Central Railway in all matters relating to eligibility, acceptance or rejection of applications will be final and binding on the candidates.

Note:- All the trials for recruitment of Sports persons will be video graphed.

6. APPLICATION FEE: Candidates will have to pay the prescribed fee as per their community/category detailed below

S.No.	Categories / Communities of Candidates	Fee
1	For all candidates (except categories mentioned below at Sl. No. 2). Note: - Out of this fee of Rs 500/-, an amount of Rs 400/- shall be refunded duly deducting bank charges, only the candidates who will be appeared in sports TRIALS.	Rs. 500/-
2	For candidates who belong to SC, ST, Ex-Servicemen, PwBD, Female, Transgender, Minorities or Economically Backward Class (EBC) (Caution to Candidates: EBC should not be confused with OBC or EWS) Note: - This fee of Rs 250/- shall be refunded duly deducting bank charges as applicable, only the candidates who will be appeared in sports TRIALS.	Rs. 250/-

NOTE: REFUND OF EXAMINATION FEE (Only the candidates who will be appeared in sports TRIALS will get a refund of their examination fee as mentioned above).

(a) All candidates must clearly mention their bank details in the form, generated with call letter and submit at the time of documents verification/trials (viz., Name of Bank, Name of Account Holder, Account Number and IFSC Code) for receiving the refundable portion of their application/examination fee (i.e., Rs. 400/- or Rs. 250/- as applicable minus bank charges).

(b) The responsibility for furnishing correct bank account details lies on the candidates and RRC shall not entertain any correspondence from candidates on this ground.

(c) There will be no refund of application/examination fee for wrong/incomplete beneficiary details and erroneous/incomplete/rejected applications.

6.1 Fee payment will have to be made online through payment gateway as part of online application process.

6.2 After ensuring the correctness of the particulars in the application form, candidates are required to pay fees through the payment gateway which has been integrated with the online application. No change / edit will be allowed thereafter.

6.3 The payment can be made by using Debit Card/ Credit Card / Internet Banking etc. by providing information as asked on the screen. Transaction charges for online payment, if any, will be borne by the candidates.

6.4 On successful completion of the transaction, e-receipt with the data entered by the candidate will be generated which should be saved / printed and retained by the candidate.

7.0 FEE EXEMPTIONS:

7.1 In case of SC/ST candidates, Xerox copy of caste certificate issued by competent authority not below the rank of Tehsildar should be uploaded at the time of online application. The format of caste certificate for SC/ST candidates is Annexure 'C'.

7.2 For claiming exemption/refund from the application fee, Minority candidates should submit 'self declaration' as mentioned in Annexure-'F' at the time of filling-up on-line application.

*Minorities shall include Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Jains and Zoroastrians (Parsis) subject to revision/deletion/inclusion if any, received from competent authority till the last date for submission of online application.

Such candidates claiming exemption of application fee will be required to furnish 'minority community declaration' affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper that he/she belongs to any of the above minority community. If the affidavit is not produced at the time of document verification, the candidature will be rejected.

7.3 In case of Economically Backward Classes (EBC) candidates, Xerox copy of issued Income certificate in the name of the candidate issued by competent authority** which should be issued before the closing date of the notification but not be issued

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