

RAILWAY RECRUITMENT CELL **NORTH EASTERN RAILWAY, GORAKHPUR**

RECRUITMENT AGAINST CULTURAL QUOTA FOR THE YEAR 2025-26
Employment Notice No: - NER/RRC/CQ/2025-26 Dated 24.09.2025

Opening date and time of online Application	25.09.2025 10:00 Hrs.
Closing date and time of online Application	24.10.2025 18:00 Hrs.

Online applications are invited from eligible Indian citizens for recruitment against Cultural Quota for the year 2025-26 for 02 Group 'C' posts in Level-2 (Grade Pay-1900). Candidates may apply by clicking on the link provided on N. E. Railway's website www.ner.indianrailways.gov.in.

1. Details of posts:

- (A) Singer (Male) Classical in Hindustani Style - 01 post**
- (B) Dance (Female) Kathak - 01 post**

Note: - No post is reserved for any particular community.

2. Essential Qualifications:

(A) Essential Educational Qualification:

12th pass or its equivalent with 50% marks in aggregate (the compulsion of 50% marks in aggregate will not be insisted upon in case of SC, ST, Persons with Benchmark Disability (PwBD), Ex-Servicemen candidates and candidates possessing qualification higher than 12th).

OR

Matriculation (10th Pass)/SSLC **plus** ITI in relevant trade (Recognised by NCVT/SCVT).

OR

Matriculation (10th Pass)/SSLC **plus** Course Completed Act Apprenticeship in relevant trade.

- (B) Essential Cultural Qualification:** Candidate should possess Degree/Diploma/Certificate in the relevant field of notified posts from a Government Recognised Institute.

3. Desirable Qualification:

- (i)** Experience in the field and performance given on All India Radio/Doordarshan etc.
- (ii)** Prizes won at National level.

4. Age: 18 to 30 years. Age will be reckoned as on 01.01.2026.

5. Age Relaxation: The upper age limit is relaxable as under subject to submission of requisite certificates:

- (A)** By 05 years for SC/ST Candidates.
- (B)** By 03 years for OBC (NCL) Candidates.
- (C)** Up to the extent of service rendered in Defence plus 03 years for Ex. Servicemen, provided they have put more than 06 months' service after attestation.
- (D)** By 05 years for candidates who have ordinarily been domiciled in the State of Jammu & Kashmir during the period from 01.01.1980 to 31.12.1989.

- (E) By 10 years for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) (13 years for OBC (NCL) and 15 years for SC/ST).
- (F) Upper age limit for widows, divorced women and women judicially separated from husband but not remarried shall be 35 years for UR, 38 years for OBC (NCL) and 40 years for SC/ST.
- (G) For serving Railway Staff, casual labour and substitutes, who have put in minimum of 3 years' service (in continued or in broken spells) the upper age limits will be 40, 43 and 45 years for UR, OBC (NCL) and SC/ST respectively.
- (H) For those working in Quasi-Administrative offices of the Railway, the upper age relaxation will be up to the length of service, subject to a maximum of 05 years.

6. How to apply: Candidates may apply by clicking on the link provided on N. E. Railway's website www.ner.indianrailways.gov.in. Candidate should carefully read all the instructions given in the Employment Notice before filling the online application form. The online application form should be filled following the step-by-step procedure given on the webpage. All the required fields must be filled up carefully. Candidates, while filling the online application form must upload his/her scanned recent coloured photograph, left hand thumb impression, signature all relevant mark sheets/certificates.

7. Examination Fee:

For candidates belonging to SC, ST, Ex-Servicemen, Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBDs), Women, Minorities and Economically Backward Classes	Rs. 250	Refund of Rs 250 will be made to the candidates who actually appear in the Written Examination
All other candidates	Rs. 500	Refund of Rs 400 will be made to the candidates who actually appear in the Written Examination

The requisite examination fee should be deposited online through the link as provided on the webpage of the online application form. After depositing the examination fee, the candidate should login again and must take a printout of the application form for further process.

8. Recruitment Process: The candidates found prima-facie eligible for recruitment on the basis of information provided through online application will be assessed on the following basis:

(A)	Written Examination	50 marks
	Written examination will be conducted through Computer Based Test (CBT) having 50 Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs) . 01 mark will be awarded for each correct answer and 1/3 marks will be deducted for every incorrect answer. The questions asked in written examination will be based on minimum educational qualification mentioned in the advertisement and those on current affairs, mental ability, quantitative aptitude, musical instrument, dance and music.	
(B)	Assessment of Talent in the relevant field	50 marks
	(i) On the basis of Practical Demonstration	35 Marks
	(ii) On the basis of Testimonials/Prizes etc.	15 Marks
	Total:	100 Marks

NOTE-

- (A) The minimum qualifying marks in the written examination for all candidates are 40%.
- (B) Based on the performance of candidates in the written examination candidates equal to 5 times the number of vacancies will be called for the next stage i.e. Practical Demonstration and Assessment of Testimonials/Prizes.
- (C) All certificates must be issued on or before the last date of online application as mentioned in the notification.
- (D) The empanelment will be made in the order of merit which will be prepared according to overall marks obtained by the candidates in the Written Examination and Assessment of Talent in the relevant field.

9. Communication with the candidates: All communication with the candidates shall be made by publishing notices on the N. E. Railway's website www.ner.indianrailways.gov.in. Candidates are advised to visit the official website of N. E. Railway i.e. www.ner.indianrailways.gov.in regularly for information and updates.

10. General Conditions:

- (A) Before applying, the candidates should ensure that they fulfill all the eligibility norms. The educational or Cultural qualifications acquired after the date of submission of application shall not be considered.
- (B) A candidate shall be called for Written Examination only if he/she is considered fulfilling all the laid down eligibility criteria as per his/her application. However, the candidature of a candidate shall remain provisional till his/her certificates are examined at the time of Document Verification.
- (C) Candidates attempting to give false information/suppressing the facts will be disqualified and are liable for debarment and legal action. Candidates who attempt fraud/impersonation are liable to be debarred to appear in the future examinations conducted for recruitment in Railways.
- (D) Candidates found eligible for appointment have to pass the prescribed medical examination conducted by the Railway administration before appointment.
- (E) Mere selection of candidates and recommendation for their recruitment/appointment shall not confer any right on them for appointment in Railway.
- (F) Second class Free journey Pass from the nearest Railway station mentioned in the application form will be issued to the candidates belonging to SC & ST communities, whenever they are called at any stage of recruitment.
- (G) The persons appointed against Cultural Quota to the category of Clerks will be required to possess proficiency in typing within a period of two years from the date of appointment and their appointment will be provisional subject to acquisition of the prescribed typing qualification within the stipulated period. In case of non-acquisition of typing skill within the prescribed period, no additional time will be given and services of such candidate(s) will be summarily terminated.

Note:

- (A) In Case of difference between English and Hindi versions of the Employment Notice, the English version shall be applicable.
- (B) The decision of RRC/NER in all matters relating to eligibility, acceptance or rejection of the application, issue of free journey pass, penalty for false information, mode of selection, conduct of examination(s), allotment of Examination center and all other matters related with recruitment process will be final and binding on the candidates. No enquiry or correspondence will be entertained in this connection.
- (C) Any legal issues arising out of or in connection with this employment notice shall fall within the legal jurisdiction of Central Administrative Tribunal, Allahabad.
- (D) This Employment Notice is also available at N. E. Railway's website **www.ner.indianrailways.gov.in**. Candidates are advised to visit N. E. Railway's website regularly for information and updates.

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