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The Secretary(E),  
Railway Board,

New Delhi

Dear Sir,

**Sub: Reimbursement of cost of shoes in favour of Gangmen(Trackmen), Keymen, Mates, Patrolmen, Gatemen and Trollymen**

**Ref: Board's letters No.E(W)95UN1-19 dated 27.12.2005, E(W)95UN1/19(D) dated 22.11.2006 and E(W)2005UN 1/3 dated 5.9.2007**

In terms of Railway Board's instructions, contained in their letters referred to above, Gangmen (Trackmen), Keymen, Mates, Patrolmen, Gatemen, Trollymen and allied categories are to be supplied one pair shoes of the following specification each year:-

**“canvas shoes with grooved rubber soles conforming to BIS 15298 suitable for walking along track are to be provided. Canvas hunter shoe/jungle boot with proper heat insulation(branded one).”**

With a view to overcome the problem of distribution of shoes of wrong size, Railway Board vide their letter dated 5.9.2007 have decided that a payment of Rs.450/- per year per employee may be made on trial basis and reimbursement of the amount may be made to the employees only after they submit cash memo for purchase of the shoes of the same specification as prescribed in Board's letters dated 27.12.2005 and 22.11.2006.

Large number of complaints are being received from the Gangmen and allied categories that the amount of Rs.450/- is very inadequate and the branded shoes with the above specification are not available below Rs.1,000/-.

The Board are requested to enhance the cost of the shoes at least up to Rs.1,200 and issue revised orders to this effect.

Yours faithfully,

**(Shiva Gopal Mishra)**

**General Secretary**

Copy to: General Secretaries, all affiliated unions. This refers to GS/WREU/Mumbai's letter No.F/CCG/42/09 dated 28.7.2009.