

**WEST CENTRAL RAILWAY
CONSTRUCTION ORGANISATION, JABALPUR**

No. CAO/C/WCR/Peer Review/Sector Expert/01/2026

Date: 17.02.2026

The Chief Administrative Officer (Construction), West Central Railway, Jabalpur, for and on behalf of the President of India, invites applications for empanelment of Sector Expert(s) for Peer Review of Detailed Project Reports (DPRs).

Interested applicants are requested to submit their detailed CV/Bio-data along with a duly filled application in the prescribed proforma (as given below) to the office of the Chief Administrative Officer (Construction), 2nd Floor, GM Office Building, West Central Railway, Jabalpur. The applications must reach the above office latest by 13.03.2026 at 15:00 hours.

Application Proforma

1	Passport Size Photo			
2	Name			
3	Fathers name			
4	Designation at the time of retirement			
5	Grade at the time of retirement			
6	Name Department at the of retirement			
7	Place of working at the time of retirement			
8	Pay & Level at the time of retirement			
9	Date of Birth			
10	Date of retirement			
11	Educational qualification			
12	Permanent address			
13	PF number			
14	Experience in project execution/Planning in the Railway Infrastructure sector (New Line/Doubling/multi tracking/Metro/High Speed projects) at SAG level or higher as under.			
	Designation	Duration	Name of the Project	Brief on works executed.
16	PAN Card Number			
17	Adhar card Number			
18	Mobile Number			
19	Email ID			

Name & Signature of applicant

Dy. Chief Engineer (Construction) HQ,
West Central Railway, Jabalpur
For Chief Administrative Officer (Construction),
West Central Railway

Terms of Reference (TOR)

1. Eligibility Criteria:

- (i) Age not more than 75 years.
- (ii) Minimum qualification should be BE/B. Tech in Civil Engineering.
- (iii) Should be an Indian Railway Service of Engineers (IRSE) officer retired from the Senior Administrative Grade (SAG) or higher post.
- (iv) Must have a minimum of 5 years' experience in project execution/planning in the railway infrastructure sector (New Line/Doubling/multi tracking/Metro/High Speed projects) at SAG level or higher post.
- (v) The expert should not have any conflict of interest with the DPR consultant, project proponent, or associated contractors.

2 Scope of Work for Peer Review:

- (i) The Sector Expert shall review the DPR in detail, including but not limited to:
 - (a) Technical feasibility
 - (b) Cost estimates and design justifications.
 - (c) Alignment, survey data, and proposed engineering structures
 - (d) Environmental and safety considerations
 - (e) Constructability and phasing of work
- (ii) Site visits may be required to validate alignment and feasibility.
- (iii) The Sector Expert shall identify gaps or deficiencies and suggest improvements.
- (iv) A comprehensive report with observations, findings, and recommendations shall be submitted to the Zonal Railway within a defined timeframe.

3 Review Procedure:

- (i) DPRs submitted by consultants will be forwarded to the engaged Sector Experts by the Zonal Railway.
- (ii) The Sector Expert shall acknowledge receipt and provide a timeline for submission of the peer review (in not more than 10 days in any case).
- (iii) A draft peer review report shall be shared with CAO/C or CE/C for initial comments, followed by submission of the final report.
- (iv) In case of major observations, the consultant shall be asked to revise the DPR accordingly. Decision shall rest with the concerned CAO/C.
- (v) There shall be no splitting of Peer Review for any single FLS-based DPR package. All DPRs arising from one FLS sanction shall be reviewed by the same Sector Expert to ensure coherence and accountability.

4 Honorarium and Logistics:

- (i) Sector Experts shall be paid an honorarium of 1 lakh per day. For the purpose of calculation, one day shall be considered for every 50 route km in plain areas and 30 km in hilly areas. The number of days so calculated shall be rounded up to the next full day for payment purposes.
For example, if FLS sanctioned length is 23 km (0.46 days), payment will be for 1 day. Similarly, if 110 km (2.2 days) is the sanctioned FLS length, remuneration of consultation will be for 3 days.
- (ii) 80% of the honorarium shall be payable upon submission and approval of the draft report by CAO/Construction, and the balance 20% after acceptance of the final report.
- (iii) TA/DA and other travel expenses (such as conveyance for field visits) shall be admissible as per the entitlements of the retired officer.
- (iv) Logistics support for review of DPR in HQ/field office, including site visit arrangements, shall be provided by the Construction Organization, which shall also facilitate access to project documents and coordination with consultants.
- (v) There shall be no splitting of Peer Review for any single FLS-based DPR package. All DPRs arising from one FLS sanction shall be reviewed by the same Sector Expert to ensure coherence and accountability.

5 Confidentiality and Conflict of Interest:

- (i) Sector Experts shall treat all DPRs, reports, data, and correspondence as strictly confidential.
- (ii) No information shall be shared with any third party without prior approval of the Zonal Railway.

6 Validity of Empanelment:

The empanelment of a Sector Expert shall be valid for 3 years, extendable by one additional year based on requirement and satisfactory performance.

7 Assignment of DPR and Termination of Engagement:

- (i) The CAO (C) will assign specific DPR(s) for peer review to a sector expert from the approved panel.
- (ii) The engagement of a Sector Expert may be terminated by the CAO (C) at any time by giving 15 days' notice, without assigning any reason.
- (iii) If the Sector Expert is found to have concealed any material information or is involved in a conflict of interest, the engagement shall be terminated with immediate effect and without any notice.
- (iv) In case of misconduct or breach of confidentiality, termination shall be immediate and without notice.
- (v) To ensure quality and timely completion, no Sector Expert shall be assigned more than four (4) DPRs under review across all Zonal Railways at any given time. The work under consultant will be considered complete only when final report has been submitted and CAO/Construction of that project has accepted it satisfactorily.

8 PROCEDURE FOR PEER REVIEW OF DPRs:

- (i) The Sector Expert to check that all relevant project aspects (ie. functional & technical requirements including value engineering, quality & safety aspects etc.) are incorporated in the DPR proposed by the consultants.
- (ii) Various aspects including proposed alignment, land schedules, design, sources of materials, project costs shall be verified by the Sector Expert.
- (iii) The Sector Expert shall ensure their availability during the first presentation by the DPR consultant to GM/Railway Board through VC.
- (iv) To review the utilities relocation plans for its adequacy in consultation with the authorities concerned & verify the methodology of implementation.
- (v) The peers to authenticate that all design parameters adopted by the consultants such as traffic data, topographical data, geotechnical data, geometric data etc. are in order and suitable for the project concerned.
- (vi) The requirement of safety, the necessity for felling of trees, the local consultations had by DPR Consultants (with a view to identifying the needs/expectations of the people regarding underpasses/ realignment etc. keeping in view the codal requirements) etc. may also be reviewed.
- (vii) DPR should be faithful to site conditions, availability of materials, and capable of translation on the ground. Survey control points on ground should be established physically and securely and in sufficient numbers to allow accurate and convenient setting out of works.
- (viii) Hydraulic design parameters should be based on correct data and field survey. Sub-soil investigation for design of structures, sub-grade soil and material investigations for design of track/formation should be accurate and reliable and in sufficient detail. The information should be tabulated and also represented graphically in a form that is capable of being checked and verified. Due account should be taken of any environment restrictions.
- (ix) DPR should identify the potential sources of materials like quarry sites, borrow areas, establish their quality and recommend their use on the basis of techno-economic principles. It shall be preferred that locally available materials are utilized in the proposed project.
- (x) Correct details of all physical features and obstructions, structures, roads, canal/river crossing, water mains, sewers, gas/oil pipes, trees, plantations, electric and telecommunication lines etc. which affect the proposal should be marked to an accuracy/tolerance consistent with their likely interference.
The drawings should be capable to execution at site without additional instructions or changes.
- (xi) Drawings for ROBs/ RUBs should be based on clearance by and approval of concerned Road authorities.
- (xii) In case of bridges, the final design should be based on approval of General Arrangement Drawing (GAD) and alignment plan, to be given after consideration of alternatives bringing out their cost effectiveness and ease of construction.
- (xiii) The description of items in Schedule of items should be consistent with the drawings and specifications, and all should lend themselves to harmonious and unambiguous interpretation.
- (xiv) Besides the quantities of various items of work, Schedule of items should also give the quantities of major materials like, cement, steel and track components likely to be

required for the work in order to arrive at their reliable percentages, required to be given in the Price Adjustment Formula.

- (xv) The requirement of safety, the necessity for felling of trees, the local consultations had by DPR Consultants (with a view to identifying the needs/expectations of the people regarding underpasses/ realignment etc., keeping in view the codal requirements) etc. shall also be reviewed.
- (xvi) The adequacy of proposed project infrastructure to serve the project requirements shall be reviewed.
- (xvii) The sector Expert shall make a list of items which are not necessary for the project but included in the estimate.
- (xviii) In addition to above, any other project specific requirement shall also be reviewed.

