

UNION PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

NOTICE

Dated: 21.09.2022

The Personality Test Schedule of Civil, Mechanical, Electrical & E&T Branch of Engineering Services Examination, 2022 was published on the website of the Commission on 19th Sept. 2022. The Notice contained the detailed guidelines for reimbursement of the LOWEST 'to' and 'fro' air fare for travelling by any Airlines (through only three authorized travel agents), to the outstation candidates for attending Interviews / PT Boards.

2. The said guidelines have been revised based on the Department of Expenditure, (Ministry of Finance) Memorandum dated 16th June, 2022 and are as under:

a) Air ticket of lowest available fare of Economy class should be booked through the following authorized travel agents **ONLY, IMMEDIATELY AFTER DOWNLOADING THE INTERVIEW SCHEDULE/ E-SUMMON LETTER:**

- 1. IRCTC (Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation)**
- 2. M/s Balmer Lawrie & Co.**
- 3. M/s Ashoka Travels & Tours**

b) **Candidates are advised to book flight ticket for the intended journeys (including return journey, if any), at least 21 days before the intended date of journey in order to avail most competitive fare and minimize burden on the exchequer.**

c) **However, any booking of air ticket made within less than 72 hours before the intended travel, will not be reimbursed, unless justified with valid reasons.**

d) The nearest airport will be determined on the basis of the addresses given by the candidates in their Detailed Application Forms.

e) Candidates will have to submit hard copies / print out of ticket (to and fro journey) in case of Train journey and print out of ticket along with Boarding Pass for onward journey and print out of ticket for return journey in case of Air Travel, along with the prescribed T.A. claim form duly filled in duplicate. (TA Claim forms are available in the Forms and Download Section of the UPSC website).

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- f) The reimbursement of airfare will not be allowed against the Tickets booked through any mode other than the authorised travel agents, i.e. IRCTC, Ashoka Travels & Tours and Balmer Lawrie & Co.
 - g) The candidates are advised to read the instructions carefully.
3. The candidates who had already booked their ticket prior to this Notice shall be allowed the reimbursement in accordance with earlier instructions contained in the Notice dated 19th Sept. 2022.