

SR 164, T.A. to probationers attending training institutes mainly provides for provisions for T.A. i.e. reimbursement for expenditure incurred for travelling (which has already been specifically mentioned for reimbursement by ISTM vide their relieving letter on completion of Foundation Training). Apart from that one line mentions that No daily allowance will, however, be admissible in any case for the period of their stay in the training institutes. There is no discussion about reimbursement of boarding and lodging expenditure which is different from grant of DA. To strengthen the distinction, it may be pertinent to mention that one of the cases given under Govt of India's Orders under SR 164 provides for a special allowance in lieu of daily allowance. The special allowance for Outstation participants shall be Actual expenditure on board and loading plus  $\frac{1}{4}$  of full D.A. and for local participants it shall only be Actual expenditure on board and lodging Government servants. The special allowance for consisting of Actual expenditure on board and loading plus  $\frac{1}{4}$  of full D.A clearly lays the distinction between Actual expenditure incurred for boarding and lodging and D.A. Government servants are getting Actual expenditure incurred plus  $\frac{1}{4}$  of D.A.

Moreover, another case under Govt of India's orders under SR 164, clarified by DoPT OM dated 12 January, 1988, provides for that Special Allowance for all government sponsored trainings provides. The OM further states that this OM shall supersede all the previous circulars issued on the subject by the Training Division of the DoPT.

Therefore, please provide relevant rules governing reimbursement of training expenses(boarding and lodging) incurred during the Foundational Training Programme of Assistant (DR) batch of 2013 duly considering the above mentioned points.

Also clarify whether Grant of D.A. and Reimbursement of boarding and lodging expenses incurred during training are same or not?