Sub: Directions of Hon'ble Minister of Railways.

The copy note dated 02.09.2016 under reference issued by Hon. Minister of Railways has already been sent to you for taking necessary safety precautions and preventive measures. Hon'ble MR has desired that possible causes of any accident be identified and adequate safety precautions shall be taken in advance for preventing the same. It is also desired that safety audit and structural audit of all bridges including ROB/RUB be carried out. Further, all staff should also be trained to take corrective action in case of any accident/disaster and their preparedness should be assessed at least on a monthly basis.

Some of the issues where specific attention is required were already discussed during recent PCE's meeting and are listed below:

(i) Turnouts - Timely inspection & compliance. Replacement of switches and crossings due on GMT consideration.
(ii) Repairs to Washable aprons with speed restrictions.
(iii) Compliance of USFD test reports with special emphasis on removal of defective rails and welds.
(iv) Intensive USFD Testing of wheel burn/scab locations and immediate compliance.
(v) Intensive examination of rails in vulnerable and corrosion locations, such as, platform lines, approaches to stations etc.
(vi) Upkeep and Replacement of Wooden Special layouts.
(vii) Track at approaches of LHS/RUB.
(viii) Availability of critical P.Way materials for repair and maintenance of track and bridges shall also be reviewed at your level.
(ix) Grant of blocks for repair/maintenance including track machine working also should be monitored on a daily basis.
(x) Regular check on alertness and knowledge of field staff upto grass root level.

It is expected that necessary directions in this regard may have already been issued to all concerned on your Railway. A daily report on these aspects shall be submitted to EDCE(P) as per enclosed proforma for putting up to Hon. MR.