No. 2018/AC-II/1/57(M&P) New Delhi, Date 17.02.2021

To,

As per list attached.


Ref: Railway Board’s letter F.No. 2018/AC-II/1/57 dated 02/02/2020, 20/03/2020 & 01.04.2020

1. Railway Board vide letter No.2018/AC-II/1/57(Pt.) dated 20.03.2020 has advised Railways to enter into Novation Agreement in all existing Works Contracts funded through EBR(IF) and further make necessary amendments in tender documents of all tenders to be opened then onward, incorporating the similar provisions of Novation Agreement.

2. In continuation of above, Board has now decided that in all works contracts funded through EBR(IF), wherein similar provisions of Novation Agreement has been incorporated, the Agreement may be signed by Railways and Contractors only. There is no need of signing of Agreement by IRFC officials.

3. This issues with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of Ministry of Railways.

Please acknowledge receipt.

Pram Sagar

[Signature]

Copy forwarded for information to:
1. The PFAs all Indian Railways
2. The Deputy Comptroller and Auditor General of Indian (Railways), New Delhi

For Member (Finance)
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4. Chief Administrative Officers (Con), All Indian Railways (Except N.F. Railway)
5. Principal Chief Engineers, All Indian Railways

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1. CAO, COFMOw, Tilak Bridge, New Delhi
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12. Managing Director, IRFC Limited, UG Floor, EastTower, NBCC Place, Bhisham Pitamah Marg, LodhiRoad, Pragati Vihar, New Delhi.
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14. CMD, Braithwaite & Co. limited, 5 Hide Road Kolkata 700043.

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General Managers
All Zonal Railways/Production Units

Sub: Revised Model of EBR-IP funded Contracts.

Attention is invited to Board’s letter ibid on the above subject for implementation of revised model of EBR-IP funded contracts w.e.f. 01.03.2020. Draft novation agreement is under examination in Board’s office. It is therefore, decided that the revised procedure may be implemented w.e.f. 01.04.2020. In the meantime, the bills/invoices received upto signing of novation agreement may be passed for payment as per existing agreement.

(V. Prakash)
Joint Director/Accounts
Railway Board

Copy to:
1. PFA’s of all Zonal Railways and Production Units;
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4. Director/Finance, CRIS, New Delhi;
5. GM/AIS, CRIS, New Delhi.
No. 2018/AC-II/1/57 (Pt.)

To,

As per list attached.


1. In continuation to Railway Board’s letter under reference, kindly find enclosed herewith the format of Standard Novation Agreement for ongoing works contracts funded through Indian Railway Finance Corporation Limited, duly approved by Board (ME, MTR, FC).

2. The above Standard Novation Agreement has been finalized after Railway finance concurrence and legal vetting of Ministry of Law & Justice.

3. The Railways are therefore advised to incorporate the above Novation Agreement in all ongoing works contracts funded by IRFC, without any further legal and finance vetting at Zonal level.

4. Further, for all works tenders to be opened now onward for projects funded by IRFC, the tender documents may also be suitably modified to incorporate the provisions of Standard Novation Agreement.

5. This issues with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of Ministry of Railways.

Please acknowledge receipt.

New Delhi, dated 20.03.2020

1. The FA & CAOs all Indian Railways.
2. The Deputy Comptroller and Auditor General of Indian (Railways), New Delhi.

For Financial Commissioner/Railways

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NOVATION AGREEMENT

Articles of agreement made on this day __________ in the year Two Thousand and Twenty between the President of India, acting through the ______________ <Zonal Railway> Administration having its office at ________________ hereinafter called the 'Railway' of the first part and __________ Name of Contractor __________ hereinafter called the 'Contractor' of the second part and Indian Railway Finance Corporation Limited hereinafter called the 'IRFC' of the third part having its office at ________________ with GSTIN ________________<GSTIN of billing unit (IRFC)>.

First part, second part and third part collectively hereinafter called the 'Parties'.

Whereas the party hereto of the second part executed an agreement with the party hereto of the first part being agreement no. ________________ dated ________________ with contract cost of Rs. ________________ for performance of ________________ hereinafter called the 'Principal Agreement'.

Now it is hereby agreed by and between the parties that Indian Railway Finance Corporation shall be made an additional party to the Principal Agreement executed between Railway and Contractor with effect from date of this agreement.

It is agreed by and between the parties that Railway shall continue to be held responsible for all obligations, risk and liabilities, whatsoever, arising out of or in connection with the Principal Agreement and this Novation Agreement, whether during the progress of the work or after its completion.

It is further agreed and understood by and between the parties that IRFC shall be the owner of assets, if any, arising out of execution of works as defined in the Principal Agreement, except the land whose ownership shall continue with Railway. Accordingly, the invoices shall be issued by capturing GSTIN of contractor (as the supplier) and GSTIN of IRFC (as the bill-to party). Also, the contractor shall submit the invoice, issued in the name of IRFC, to Railway for processing payment by Railway to Contractor subject to applicable TDS under the Income Tax, GST or any other applicable laws.

It is further agreed by and between the parties that IRFC shall be responsible to comply with Income Tax and GST laws in relation to filing of returns.

It is further agreed and understood by and between the parties that, except for the amended obligations as mentioned above, the terms of the Principal Agreement for all kind of contractual/performance and legal obligations shall remain in full force and effect.

All the communication in relation to the Principal Agreement and said Novation Agreement, would only be between party hereto of first part and second part.

Prema Sagar
20/03/2020

[Signature]
For and on behalf of the
President of India
Witness of the Signature
1. __________
2. __________
Address: __________

For and on behalf of the
Indian Railway Finance Corporation
Witness of the Signature
1. __________
2. __________
Address: __________

Signature of Contractor
<Name of Authorised Signatory>
Witness of the Signature
1. __________
2. __________
Address: __________

[Signature]
20/03/2020

[Signature]
General Managers,
All Zonal Railway/Production Units

Sub:- Revised Model of EBR-IF Contracts.
Ref:- Board's letter No. 2018/AC-II/1/57 dated 27.02.2020

Attention is invited to Board’s instructions, issued vide letter under reference. (Copy enclosed). In view of the present lock down period from 25.03.2020 to 14.04.2020, the date of implementation of the revised model, is extended beyond 1.4.2020 to 30.04.2020. Payment of pending bills of contractors, in such cases, may be made as per existing agreement. All arrangements may be made for signing novation agreements and processing bills in the Revised Model of EBR-IF Contracts, w.e.f 1.5.2020.

DA:- As above.

(Sanjeev Sharma)
Director Finance (Accounts)
Railway Board

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