

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA/BHARAT SARKAR
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS/RAIL MANTRALAYA
(RAILWAY BOARD)

No. 2006/CE-I/LX/WP

New Delhi, dated 18/01/2010

**The Principle Chief Engineers,
All Zonal Railways**

Sub: Manning of 1000 nos. of unmanned level crossing gates by 01.12.2010.

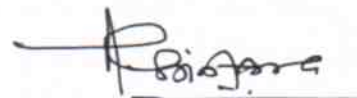
**Ref: (i) Supplementary demands for grants for expenditure of the Central
Government on Railways (copy enclosed)**
(ii) Board(ME)'s letter No. 2006/CE-I/LX/WP dated 06.01.2010.

1.0 Vide reference above, revised target and urgency of manning has been conveyed to railways. In this matter, it is further informed that a total of 2960 unmanned gates have been sanctioned in the Supplementary Grant of Budget 2009-10, at the total cost of Rs.592crores the, where unit cost of manning has been taken as Rs.20 Lakh per gates. Zonal railways must ensure expeditious sanctioning of the Detailed Estimate as per their site condition and requirements. Detail estimates should also include provision of **telephone** and light (conventional/non-conventional). Necessary contract for these should be awarded. Due care should be taken for provision of standard basic infrastructure to avoid recurring maintenance and safety problem.

2.0 It is further clarified that, onetime 2960 manning works have been sanctioned in anticipation of unmanned gates qualifying at later date, though only 990 gates qualify as on 1.04.2009. As such, it is imperative on Railways to conduct onetime special TVU census and visibility survey, to know additional qualifying gates and manning of vulnerable gates first.

3.0 Manning of about 1000gates in a year (by 01.12.2010) is a huge task. Due to large scale manning obtaining **CRS sanction** would be a time consuming work. This becomes further difficult due to involvement of four Departments, namely **engineering (for basic infrastructure)**, **S&T (telephone and CRS sanction)**, **Electrical (power for lighting)** and **Personnel (creation of post and filling up of vacancy)**. As such, it is exigent to hold fortnightly coordination meeting with all concerned officers at HQ & Division levels, for fixing accountability and monitoring of the manning works for its targeted completion by 01.12.2010.

4.0 Many Railways have communicated that they are not having adequate sanction. Please note that all necessary sanctions are contained in the supplementary Demands for Grants - 2009-10. A line of confirmation on action taken in subject matter may please be sent for the appraisal of Board (ME).



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