GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (RAILWAY BOARD)

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Principal Chief Engineers, All Zonal Railways

Chief Administrative Officer (C), All Zonal Railways

Sub.: Planning of LCs elimination during DPR preparation for the Multitracking/Doubling/Gauge conversion works (PH-14 & 15).

Ref.: (i) RB letter no. 2021/W-1/Genl/Gatishakti (c-3378115) dated 18.08.2023

(ii) RB letter no. 2017//CE-IV/LX/Misc./244 (LCs) Pt. dated 19.08.2024

Vide reference above, instructions were issued for elimination of level crossings through the construction of Road Over Bridges (ROBs) or Road Under Bridges (RUBs) during execution of Doubling/Multitracking/Gauge conversion Projects. It was to be ensured that the Financial Internal Rate of Return (FIRR) of project remains above the hurdle rate of 10% for Doubling/Multitracking projects and no substantial increase in earthwork is involved in the construction of the RUB for Gauge conversion Projects. Accordingly, zonal railways have been submitting Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) of Doubling/Multitracking/Gauge conversion projects.

2.0 However it is observed that while preparing DPRs for the Multi-tracking/Doubling/Gauge conversion project, planning for elimination of LCs is not given due consideration by Railways. This is resulting in demands for leftover works under PH 30 after sanction of the project. This is adversely affecting the overall planning of PH 30 works for other priority works on existing lines.

3.0 To streamline the process & to avoid such lapses, a separate 'Annexure" showing list of LCs included for elimination, shall be incorporated in the DPR of Project (Copy of Annexure enclosed). This will help Open line to keep proper account of LC elimination works. The annexure shall be signed by concerned PCE through CE/RSW.

This has the approval of Board (MI, MF and CRB&CEO).

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