

भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
रेल मंत्रालय MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(रेलवे बोर्ड RAILWAY BOARD)

No. 2025/GS/SD-I/08/03

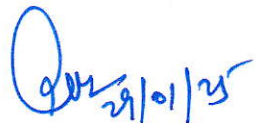
New Delhi, dated: 29.01.2025

The General Manager,
All Zonal Railways.

Sub: Clarification regarding approval of drawings and model documents for support services.

During interaction with the Zonal Railways, some issues regarding approval of drawings for temporary structures, competence of the personnel engaged for site supervision through Project Supervision Services Agency (PSSA), etc. have come to notice.

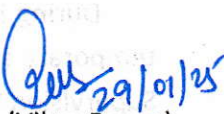
1. The above has been examined in Railway Board and it is clarified that the instructions related to temporary structures like robustness of shuttering/staging are already existing which need to be reiterated by the Zonal Railways for enforcement at site. Vide Railway Board's letter no. 2022/CE-I/CT/8/CPWDDSR dated 13.10.2022, it has been communicated to all the Zonal Railways that CPWD DSR and Specifications (Vol-I & II) are to be adopted for execution of all civil engineering works related to Building works, Road works and Horticulture works, etc. (except Formation works, Bridge works and P.way works). The specifications for "Formwork (Centring and Shuttering)" in Para 5.2 of CPWD Specifications mandate use of tubular steel structure or built-up sections of rolled steel and approval of Engineer-In-charge. The clause 5.2.3.2 read with 5.2.3.4 and 5.2.5.2 are clear even for the cases where span is large and height is more than 3.5m. As far as approvals of structural drawings are concerned, elaborate instructions, which are applicable to permanent as well as temporary structures, have already been issued vide Board's letter no. 2017/CE-I/CT/13/Procedure Simplification dated 20.10.2017. These instructions are adequately clear. Zonal Railways may carry out further detailing as per their requirements within the contours of Railway Board policy.
2. Regarding competence of the personnel engaged for site supervision through Project Supervision Services Agency (PSSA), it is clarified that the Model RFP document for appointment of PSSA has been issued vide Railway Board's letter no. 2022/CE-I/CT/6/PSS dated 13.06.2022. This is only a model document and flexibility has been given to Zonal Railways vide Item No. 4 of this letter to make suitable changes/modifications in the document as per specific requirements of site/project/zone. The categories of projects to be defined for consideration as eligible assignment have been indicated in square parenthesis in Clause 3.1.3(b), implying that


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these contents are to be modified/inserted by the tendering authority. Further, concerned PHODs have been given authority to make suitable changes even in other clauses (which are not in square parenthesis) with the concurrence of associate finance. It is expected that the Zonal Railways will apply due diligence while framing the requirements of personnel and selecting the same. It is quite imperative that the quality of work and knowledge of the personnel provided by PSSA should be checked regularly and corrective action be taken immediately.

3. Zonal Railways must carry out thorough review of safety and quality issues with regard to worksites under different units, duly augmenting the executing agencies with support services like PMS/PSSA/GC, retired officials, etc. as per extant instructions.

4. This issues with the approval of Board (MI).


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Director/Gati Shakti/Stn.Dev.-IV
Railway Board

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