

**Government of India
Ministry of Railways
(Railway Board)**

2015/TG-IV/13/6 (RDN)

New Delhi, Dated: 29.01.2021

**General Managers, All Indian Railways
Metro Railway, Kolkata.**

Sub: Awarding of RDN tenders by Zonal Railways for a period of five years

Ref: (i) RDN Policy issued vide CC 50/2017 & No. 2015/TG-IV/13/6 dt. 11.07.2017
(ii) This office's letter of even number dt. 15.01.20 (CC 2/2020)
(iii) RailTel's Letter No. RCIL/CO/2019/NTP/RDN/098/Vol.1 dt. 05.11.2020
(iv) CCMs, CR, ER, ECoR, NR, NCR, NWR, SR, SCR, SER, WR, WCR letters dated 20, 27, 29th October and 2, 3rd November, 2020.

Please refer to this office's letter under reference (ii) above, vide which, the bid process management of Rail Display Network (RDN) had been re-entrusted to RailTel. Since, RailTel could not succeed in its first effort, RailTel vide its letter under reference (iii) above sought more time for re-tendering of RDN contracts. In view of above, Zonal Railways have requested Board to maximize revenue, based on good responses from prospective bidders, and to allow Zones to award RDN (digital) tenders for a maximum period of five years.

2. In this regard, Competent Authority have decided as under:
- A. ZRs shall award digital RDN contracts for a maximum period of five years and non-digital contracts for a maximum period of one year. However, once RailTel is able to appoint a pan-India RDN licensee, all these awarded and live contracts shall be assigned to RailTel.
 - B. The RailTel licensee shall commit MG for the entire awarded contractual period in addition to a revenue sharing mechanism. Once Zonal Railways' awarded contracts are assigned to RailTel, the license fee of those railways contracts shall accrue to RailTel.
 - C. Zonal Railways shall be able to initiate and finalize RDN contracts till LoA of RDN is issued by RailTel. Thereafter, no ZR shall initiate and float RDN tender.

This issues with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of Ministry of Railways and with the approval of Member (O&BD).

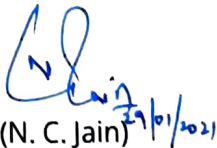

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For Member Finance, Railway Board

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