GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (RAILWAY BOARD)

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New Delhi, dated 29.07.2025

Managing Director,

Chennai Metro Rail Limited (CMRL) No.327, Anna Salai, Nandanam, Chennai-600 035, Tamil Nadu.

Sub: Approval of Track Structure (Annexure C-1) for Chennai Metro Phase-II Project of Chennai Metro Rail Limited (CMRL).

Ref: Track Structure (Annexure C-1) documents uploaded on RDSO's online portal by CMRL on 09.07.2025 along with compliance

Chennai Metro Rail Limited (CMRL)'s request for approval of Track Structure (Annexure C-1) for Chennai Metro Phase II Project of CMRL has been examined in consultation with RDSO and approval of Railway Board is hereby conveyed for the same.

Accordingly, approved copy of Track Structure (Annexure C-1) is enclosed.

Encl: As above

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- 1. Executive Director/UTHS, RDSO, Manak Nagar, Lucknow w.r.t letter No. UT/38/CMRL/P02/Civil dated 18.07.2025
- 2. OSD/UT & Ex-Officio Joint Secretary / Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs (MoHUA), Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi-110011



PART A: COMPLIANCE MATRIX FOR "TECHNICAL STANDARDS OF TRACK STRUCTURE FOR METRO RAILWAYS AS PER ANNEXURE-C1

1. Scope

The Scope is to formulate the track structure Design Basis, with broad parameters for getting the Ministry of Railways approval for the stipulated and desirable technical standards/specifications for a Chennai Metro Rail Limited Phase II project consisting of corridor 3, corridor 4 and corridor 5.

2. OPERATING ENVIRONMENT

Track Structure should fulfill generally the following conditions:

SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Specification	CMRL Compliance
2.1	Gauge – standard gauge – 1435mm.	Standard Gauge-1435 mm	Complied
2.2	Rail Seat inclination (slope): 1 in 20	1 in 20	Complied
2.3	Speed potential – 110 kmph (max.)	Maximum 90 Kmph	Complied
2.4	Static axle loads - 20 T (max.)	Maximum 16 T	Complied
2.5	Design rail temperature range (-)10 degree Celsius to (+) 70 degree Celsius.	(+)11 degree Celsius to (+) 68 degree Celsius.	Complied
2.6	Maximum Curvature and Ruling gradient	Maximum gradient on Main line viaduct is (between Butt road- Alandur on Corridor5) 3.98 % (including compensation for curve) & underground approach of katcheri road station in Corridor 4 is 3.83% (including compensation for curve)	Provision in SOD for Phase II will be followed, and Will be Complied.

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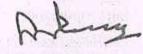
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SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Specification	CMRL Compliance
		 Maximum gradient at Depot is Level Maximum gradient at Station is level. Maximum gradient on Turnout is 2.64% between Poonammallee Bypass station and Poonammallee station 	
	Minimum Vertical Curve radius is 1500m	o Main lines (up and down) at many locations designed with a vertical radius of up to 1500m. Depot connecting track will also be provided with a radius of 1500m.	Provision in SOD for ph2 has been followed and Will be Complied.
	Minimum Horizontal curve Radius O Main viaduct track = 120m Mainline UnderGround track= = 200m Stations = 1000m Depot Track=100m	Main running line (Up & Down), Elevated = 122m (Between Butt road-Alandur section on Corridor 5) Underground section (Up & down) = 200m (near Thirumailai station on Corridor 4) At passenger stations is 1003m in Allapakkam station in corridor 4 Depot and other lines= 100 m	Provision in SOD ph2 will be followed and Will be Complied
		o Many curves designed with SE of 110mm.	Provision in SOD ph2 will be followed

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			provided between	Complied.
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			Metro station.	

3. TRACK STRUCTURE

3.1 General: The track structure should fulfill the following requirements:

SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
3.1.1	The track structure should conform to/ satisfy Schedule of Dimension requirement and other maintenance instructions of Metro systems.	Will be Complied. The track structure will confirm the SOD of CMRL Ph2.
3.1.2	Ride comfort and running safety of track vehicle dynamics should be satisfied.	Will be Complied.
3.1.3	The track structure should be designed with Long welded / Continuously welded rail on main line track. (For both ballasted track as well as the ballast less track).	Will be Complied. Track structure will be designed with CWR on main line as well as Depot & connections.
3.1.4	The horizontal alignment shall consist of a series of straights joined to circular curves generally with transition curves. Curvature and can't shall be calculated based on the train speed for each train type on the section. Compound and reverse curves are acceptable, provided they are connected by an adequate transition curve.	Will be Complied All the circular curves are provided with adequate length of transition of minimum 15m on either end. Reverse/Circular curve will also be provided with adequate transition of minimum 15m is ensured. Cant is designed based on the speed to comply with CMRL Phase 2 SOD provisions of rate of change of cant(40mm/sec), rate of change of cant

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		deficiency(40mm/sec) and cant gradient(1 in 440).
3.1.5	The vertical alignment should be designed to achieve a smooth profile line with gradual changes.	Will be Complied: The vertical alignment of all vertical curves will be designed to achieve a smooth profile line with gradual changes.
	Changes in the profile should be connected by vertical curves, which shall be as generous in length as the location allows.	Will be Complied: Changes in profile will be connected by vertical curves of as large as radius as the locations allowed, minimum radius being 1500m.
	Vertical curves including its transition shall not be located at stations within the length of platform.	
	A vertical curve within the length of transition and Turnouts is also not desirable. Vertical curve radius is constrained by the need to limit the vertical acceleration for passenger ride	Will be Complied: Vertical curve will not be provided within the length of transition & turnouts. Will be Complied
	comfort. Check rail should be provided on Curves where radius is 190 m or less on standard gauge	Will be complied. Check rails are being provided on curves where the radius is 190m or less as per the SOD ph2. No check rail for curves in depot planned

3.2 The technical standards for track structure deals with the following components:

- i. Rail and Welding
- ii. Sleeper and fastening for ballasted track.

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- iii. Track slab for ballast less track
- iv. Fastening system for ballast less track
- v. Insulated Glued joint.
- vi. Turnout, scissors crossover
- vii. Switch Expansion Joints
- viii. Gradients

4. Rail and Rail Welding

SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
4.1	1 Rails	
4.1.1	For Main line Track	
4.1.1.1	The rail used on main line on curves and approaches of Stations shall be 60E1, 1080 grade Head Hardened.	Will be Complied. 60E1, 1080 grade Head Hardened rails will be used on main line, including stations.
4.1.1.2	At other locations on straight line of main line, the use of 60E1, 1080 grade HH / 60E1, 880/60E1, R260 grade rail shall be decided by Metro Railway depending upon speed, axle load and other factors pertaining to safety and life of rail. However, on curves with small straight track in between, the 60E1, 1080 grade Head hardened rail should be continued on straight patches also.	Will be Complied. 60 E1 , 1080 grade HH rails will be used on straight as well.
4.1.1.3	It is essential to have preventive rail grinding arrangements in case 60E1, 1080 HH rails are used.	Will be Complied: Noted and rail grinding will be done to ensure proper rail wheel interaction.
4.1.2	For Depot Lines	
	The rail used on depot lines can be non- head hardened and	Will be Complied

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SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
	shall be 60E1,880 grade/60E1,R260 grade.	The rails used on Depot will be 60E1, 880 grade. For Turn out 60E1, 1080 grade rail will be used.
4.1.3	Specifications	
4.1.3.1	The rail shall be class 'A' rails as per IRS-T-12-2009 specification with latest amendments. However, any suitable length of rail more than 13 m considered appropriate by metro on consideration of transportation and handling can be adopted, provided the rails are ultimately welded into long welded rails.	Will be Complied: Class 'A' rails will be used as per IRS-T-12-2009 Reprint: October-2021 (Covering up to ACS No5) with 18m long rails duly considering the transportation and handling in Chennai alignment and provided the rails will be ultimately welded into long welded rails.
4.1.3.2	The rail shall be manufactured and tested in accordance with IRS-T-12-2009 (with latest amendment). The chosen manufacturers shall be required to submit their inspection and test plan for approval by Metro railway as per IRS-T-12-2009. Metro railways will ensure that the inspection and test plan approved by them strictly conforms to the requirement of IRS specifications.	Will be Complied.
4.2	Welding of Rails	Viscosio Appli
4.2.1	The welding of rails should conform to Indian Railway specifications and technical instructions issued from time to time.	Will be Complied

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SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance	
4.2.2	The present instructions are contained in following documents:		
4.2.2.1	Alumino Thermit Welding:		
	(i) Indian Railway Standard specifications for Alumino Thermit Welding of Rails (IRST-19-2021, with latest amendments)	Mill be Complied. Indian Railway Standard specifications for Alumino Thermit Welding of Rails (IRST-19- 2021	
	(ii) Manual For Fusion Welding Of Rails By The Alumino- Thermic Process: Revised- 2012 with latest amendments	with version no07) and Manual for Fusion Welding of Rails by the Alumino-Thermic Process revised manual 2022 with latest amendments Will be Complied.	
4.2.2.2	Flash Butt Welding		
	Manual for Flash Butt welding of rails, January 2012 with latest amendments.	Will be Complied - Manual for Flash Butt welding of rails, Reprint: April -2022 (up to ACS No04)	
4.2.2.3	Special attention is required by metros for provision of these instructions regarding procurement, execution of works and areas requiring prior approval / standardization by RDSO.		
4.3	Ultrasonic Testing of Rail and Welds:		
	The rails and welds shall be ultrasonically tested in field as per requirement of concerned specification/ manual/instructions. The testing shall be ensured as per provisions of "Manual for Ultrasonic Testing of Rail and Welds- Revised	Complied: All rail were tested in the factory by on-line testing equipment & defective rails isolated by cutting & removing the defective rails. Rails & flash but welding joints and Alumino thermic welded joints will	
	2022" with latest amendments. The provisions, as given in the	be ultrasonically tested in field as per the provisions of "Manual for Ultrasonic Testing of Rail and Welds-	

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SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
		Revised 2022" with latest amendments. The provisions of "IRS specification for Ultrasonic testing of Rails/Welds (Provisional), Revised-2022" will also be followed.

5. Sleeper and fastening for Ballasted track.

SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance	
5.1	Sleepers – Standard Gauge		
	PSC sleeper for standard gauge will be designed by Metro Railways following in principal guidelines of Indian Railway and the same shall be approved by Metro.	Complied. Standard gauge PSC sleeper were designed as per Indian Railway standards and guidelines and approved by CMRL.	
5.2	Fastening system		
	The elastic fastening system prevalent on Indian Railways shall be used duly ensuring the Inspection protocol for fastening components laid down for IR. In case of use of elastic fastening other than in use on IR, prior approval shall be obtained from Railways.	Will be Complied. Elastic fastening system (ERC mark III-T3701, GRP T-3711, GFN liners RT 3701) prevalent on Indian Railways is used. These fastenings are tested and certified by RDSO approved agencies.	

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6. TRACK SLAB FOR BALLSTLESS TRACK

SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
6.1	Track shall be laid on cast in situ/precast reinforced plinth or slab, herein referred to as the 'track slab'. The track slab shall be designed as plinth beam or slab type ballastless track structure with derailment guards. It shall accommodate the base plates of the fastening system.	Will be Complied: Track slabs are designed as plinth beam or slab type ballastless track structure with derailment guards. It shall accommodate the base plates of the fastening systems on which the fastening and rails are fitted and shall perform all the stipulated functions.
6.2	In general, track slab (including sleeper, if any) on which the fastening and rail are to be fitted shall perform the following functions:	
i	Resist the track forces. (Static and dynamic)	Will be Complied. The track slab will resist the track forces.
ii	Have adequate edge distance of concrete beyond the anchor bolts to provide resistance against edge failure	Will be Complied. Minimum Edge distance of 110mm will be provided
III	Provide a level base for uniform transmission of track/rail forces.	Will be Complied. The track slab provides a level base for uniform transmission of track/rail forces.
iv	Have geometrical accuracy and enable installation of track to the tolerances laid down.	
V	Ensure drainage.	Will be Complied. Drainage provision will be ensured.
vi	Resist weathering.	Will be Ensured. – To resist weathering, adequate concrete cover based on the exposure conditions (severe) M35 grade concrete are being used in the RCC. Quality control

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у		inclusive of frequent permeability test, RCPT is being done in concrete samples.
vii	Be construction friendly, maintainable and quickly repairable in the event of a derailment. The 'Repair and' Maintenance methods' shall be detailed in a Manual to be prepared and made available.	Will be Complied. The plinth/slab track are construction friendly, easily maintainable, and repairable. Further, concrete repair procedure are available in the maintenance manual.
viii	Ensure provision for electrical continuity between consecutive plinths/slabs by an appropriate design.	Will be Complied. Electrical continuity for slab/plinth are being ensured by welding the rebars and further ensured on the gap by welding the 50x6mm GI plate connected by suitable copper cable.
ix	Plinth beam or slab of ballastless track should be suitable for embankment or viaduct or tunnel/Underground structure.	Complied. Plinth beam or slab of Ballastless track are suitable for embankment or viaduct or tunnel/Underground structure. And designed for 16 T axle load of standard gauge rolling stock.
×	Proper design of expansion joints suitable for joints of viaduct structure.	Will be Complied. Suitable expansion joints will be provided in the viaduct structure.
Χİ	Design should be suitable for curves as per SOD of Metro system.	Will be Complied. The design is suitable for curves as per approved Phase II SOD and Annexure C-02 fastening system approved vide Railway Board letter No. 2024/Proj./CMRL/C1-C2/30/84, Dated 08.10.2024.
xii	Design of subgrade/ embankment for slab should be furnished to ensure	The entire length of track slab /Plinth on embankment/Underground/viaduct

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	durability and functional stability in service.	are designed as per design basis report for Chennai Metro approved by RDSO vide letter no. 2023/Proj./CMRL/PH-II/DBR/30/55 dated 31.10.2023.
xili	Design should be suitable and incorporate provision of utilities e.g. cable, wires, ducts, water channels, etc.	Will be Complied. Design is suitable and have the provision to incorporate utilities like cable, wires ducts, water channels etc. Drawings for Cable duct provision in Elevated and UG section are attached for reference.
	The detailed design calculations of track slab along with detailed structural drawings as approved by metro authorities shall be furnished for record.	detailed structural drawings are

7. CHECK RAIL

SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
7.1	Check rails/ Restraining Rails should be provided on curves on main line where radius is 190m or less on Standard gauge. The clearance of check rail/ restraining rails shall be suitably decided after requisite studies. The detailed design calculations/ studies in this regard shall be furnished for record.	main line. Design Calculation / Studies are furnished as per checklist item No.4.
7.2		Will be Complied. As per SOD, Check rail / Restraining rail has not been

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8. DERAILMENT GUARDS

SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
8.1	The derailment guard should be provided inside/outside of running rail on viaduct as well as in tunnel having multiple tracks and at grade section locations specified by the Metro railway. For single track tunnel, location for providing derailment guard is given in note. In tunnels, the derailment guard should preferably be provided inside the track, so that it permits less sway of coach towards tunnel wall in case of derailment.	
Note: L	ocation for providing Derailment	Guard in single track tunnel
1.	Entry of tunnel: 200 m from tunnel portal outside the tunnel to 50 m inside the tunnel.	
2.	Exit of tunnel: 50 m from inside of tunnel portal to 200 m outside the tunnel.	Will be Complied

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SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
3.	In curved track having radius 500 m or less including transition portion but excluding locations where check rail is provided	
4.	Covering locations of all important installations e.g. Location of any sub-station or hazardous structures inside the tunnel, etc damage to which in the assessment of metro rail administration can result into serious loss of life or/and infrastructure as a result of derailment in tunnel	
	The above is subject to the condition that metro railway shall carry out the risk assessment analysis for derailment in tunnels and ensure that the maintenance practices in the maintenance manual are as per the risk assessment mitigation plan.	Will be Complied.
8.2	The lateral clearance between the running rail and the derailment guard shall be 210 ±30 mm.	Will be Complied.
	It shall not be lower than 25 mm below the top of the running rail and should be clear of the rail fastenings to permit installation, replacement, and maintenance. Metro	Will be Complied: The derailment guard will not be lower than 25mm below the top of the running rail and the arrangement of derailment guard permits fastening installation, replacement, and maintenance.

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SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
	Administration should ensure that KE is not infringing the structure gauge, in case of derailment in single track tunnel, so long the wheels of any derailed vehicle are within the main rail and derailment guard."	
	Note: - "In case of Double Resilient base plate assembly fastening system as approved by MoR, the lateral clearance between running rail and the derailment guard shall be 250+-20mm. This fastening system, if used in tunnels having multiple tracks, Metro Administration should ensure that KE for adjacent track is not infringed so long as the wheels of any derailed vehicle are within the main rail and derailment guard."	Will be Complied
8.3	Derailment guard shall be designed such that in case of derailment:	
(i)	The wheels of a derailed vehicle under crush load, moving at maximum speed are retained on the viaduct or tunnel.	<u>Will be Complied:</u> The designed derailment guard ensures retaining the wheels of the derailed vehicle under crush load moving at maximum speed.
(ii)	Damage to track and supporting structures is minimum.	Will be Complied: The designed derailment guard will ensure minimum damage to track and supporting structures in case of derailment.

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SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
	calculations of derailment guards along with detailed	Will be Complied: Design calculations of derailment guards along with detailed structural drawings are enclosed herewith as per check list 5.

9. GLUED INSULATED RAIL JOINT

SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
9.1	Normally glued joint should be avoided.	Glued joints are not provided since CBTC (Communication based Train
9.2	Wherever inescapable, G3 (L) type of glued insulated rail joint shall be used as per RDSO drawing no.T-2572. The glued joints shall be manufactured and tested in accordance with RDSO's 'Manual for Glued Insulated Rail Joints-1998' with all amendments.	control) system will be used.

10. Turnouts, Scissors Crossover

10.1 Standards of Turnouts

10.1.1Main lines

On main lines, the turnouts and diamond crossing shall be of the following standards:

SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
	Standard Gauge	
	a) 1 in 9 type or flatter turnout (desirable)	Will be Complied. 1 in 9, 300 m Radius are proposed.
	b) 1 in 7 types turn out (minimum)	Will be Complied. 1 in 7,140 Radius and 190 Radius are proposed.

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	c) Scissors cross-over of 1in9 / 1 in 7 types consisting of 4 turnouts and 1 diamond crossing		

10.1.2 Depots and non - running lines

On depots and other non – running lines, the turnouts and diamond crossing shall be of the following standards:

SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
(i)	Standard Gauge	WK U INVENTOR
	a) 1 in 7 type or flatter turnout	Will be Complied. 1 in 7 type 140 m Radius, 1 in 9 190m Radius and 1 in 9 R300 turnouts are used.
	b) Scissors cross-over of 1 in 7 types consisting of 4 turnouts and 1 diamond crossing	Will be Complied: 1in 9, Radius 190m and 1 in 7 Radius 140m Scissor cross overs are used.
	c) 1 in 7 derailing switch / 1 in 7 type symmetrical split turnout	Will be Complied
10.1.3	If any Metro railway decides to use sharper angle layout, they should establish the adequacy of the speed potential of the turnout for the purpose for which it is used and the negotiability of the turn out by the rolling stock with a safety margin.	Will be Complied. Minimum 1 in 7/Radius 190m are followed.

10.1.4 The requirement for turnouts as specified in the following clauses shall include switch devices, crossings and associated check and lead rails as appropriate.

SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
(a)	Turnouts (switches, lead, crossings, and associated closure & check rails) shall be suitable for installation on PSC sleepers for	Will be Complied.

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SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
	ballasted track or concrete slab for ballastless track.	
(b)	Turnouts shall be manufactured to allow for installation of continuously welded track.	Will be Complied.
(c)	Turnout shall be compatible with proposed rolling stock and its operational characteristics.	Will be Complied.
(d)	The assembly must ensure continuous electrical contact with the train and all the points shall be operated by electric motors.	Will be Complied.
(e)	The CMS crossing to be used on mainline shall be subjected to explosive hardening.	Will be Complied.
(f)	All turnouts shall be laid with cant with a rail slope as that of main line towards centre of track.	Will be Complied.
(g)	All turnouts and their components shall be designed to minimize electrical leakage from running rails to the ground.	Will be Complied.
(h)	Scissor crossover should be designed for Track centres not infringing SOD.	Will be Complied.

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10.2 TYPE AND GEOMETRY OF TURNOUT

Detailed design of all turnouts, scissors crossover should comply with the following geometrical parameters (s).

SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
(a)	Standard Gauge	
(i)	1 in 9 Turnout	
	The design shall be tangential with a switch angle not exceeding 0°20'00". It is desirable that the radius of lead rail of turnout is not less than 300m. The lead curve of 190 m radius may be laid as an exception. All clearances shall be in accordance with relevant provisions of SOD.	Will be Complied. The switch entry angle will not exceed 0°20′00″. Turnouts with lead curve radius of 300m/190m radius will be used. All clearances will be within relevant provisions of SOD.
(ii)	1 in 7 Turnout	I Garage
	The design shall be tangential with a switch angle not exceeding 0°20'00". It is desirable that the radius of lead rail of turnout is not less than 190m. Lead curve of 140 m radius may be laid as an exception. All clearances shall be in accordance with relevant provisions of SOD.	Will be Complied. The switch entry angle will not exceed 0°20'00". Turnouts with lead curve radius of 190m/140m radius will be used. All clearances will be within relevant provisions of SOD.
(111)	Scissor Crossover The basic geometry of the turnouts of scissors crossover shall be same as that of corresponding ordinary turnouts as mentioned in clause 10.2 (a)(i) & (ii) above.	Will be Complied The basic geometry of scissor crossover will be the same as that of corresponding turnouts.

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SI.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
10.3 OPE	RATING REQUIREMENT OF TURNOUT, SCISSOR CROSSO	VER
	Track layout design shall permit trains to operate at maximum capability wherever possible. Turnouts and crossover shall be selected such that they do not form a restriction to the operating speed on main line. Switches and crossings shall not be located on transition curves or vertical curves.	Noted and Will be Complied
10.3.1	Speed: The turnout shall be designed for the speed on the mainline side equal to the speed as on mainline track. The minimum speed potential of the various turnouts and scissors crossover on the Turnout side should be as follows:	Will be Complied. Speed of mainline side on turnouts will be designed equal to main line.
10.3.1.1	STANDARD GAUGE	
(i)	1 in 9 type turnout with 300 m radius (speed potential of 45Kmph)	Will be Complied
(ii)	1 in 7 / 1 in 9 type turnout with 190 m radius (speed potential of 35Kmph)	Will be Complied
(iii)	1 in 7 type turnout with 140 m radius (speed potential of 25 Kmph)	Will be Complied
(iv)	Scissors crossover 1 in 9 type with 300 m radius (speed potential of 45 Kmph.)	Will be Complied
(v)	Scissors crossover 1 in 9/1 in 7 type with 190 m radius(speed potential of 35Kmph)	Will be Complied.
(vi)	Scissors crossover 1 in 7 type with 140 m radius (speed potential of 25 Kmph)	NA
(vii)	1 in 7 type symmetrical split turnout (speed potential of 45Kmph)	NA

10.4 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

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SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
10.4.1	General	
(a)	All the points shall be capable of being operated by electric motors in accordance with the signaling specification.	Will be Complied.
(b)	The top surfaces of PSC sleeper/RCC slab supporting rail seat of turnouts and scissors crossover shall be flat without any cant/slope.	Will be Complied.
(c)	The track form of the turnout shall have uniform resilience as that of the adjoining track form.	Will be Complied. The turnout track will have uniform resilience as that of adjoining track form.
(d)	The fixation of turnouts, scissor cross-over on track slab shall be through base plates/bearing plates.	Will be Complied. The fixations of turnouts/scissors on track slab will be through base plates/bearing plates.
10.4.2	Rails	MALE.
1	The rails used in turnouts shall be 1080 grade Head Hardened. However, rails used in turnouts on depot and other non-running lines may be of 880 grades.	Will be Complied. The rails used in turnouts (in main line & Depots) are of 60 Kg 1080 grade Head Hardened Rails.
2	The rails used for manufacturing of turnouts shall satisfy the following conditions:	
(a)	The rails shall be manufactured and tested in accordance with IRS/T-12-2009 with latest amendment.	Complied. The rails are manufactured and tested in accordance with IRS T-12-2009 Reprint-2021(Covering up to ACS No 05)
(b)	The section of rails shall be 60E1 (UIC60) for stock, lead and 60E1A1 (ZU1-60) /60E1A4 for switch rail.	Complied. Stock and lead rails are of 60E1, switch rails are of 60E1A1.
(c)	The rails shall qualify as Class 'A' rails as per IRS/T-12-2009.	Complied. The rails are of Class 'A' quality confirming to IRS T-12-2009 - Reprint - 2021 (up to ACS No 05

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(d)	The rails shall be with ends undrilled.	Will be Complied. The rail ends will be undrilled.
(e)	The rails shall be of grade 1080HH and be suitable for being welded by alumino- thermic or flash butt welding technique.	Will be Complied. The rails are of grade 1080HH and suitable for welding by AT/FBW Technique.
10.4.3	Switches	
1	Each switch device shall consist of two stock rails, one left hand and one right hand and two switch rails, one left hand and one right hand. Switches shall be manufactured to suit to special asymmetrical section switch rail type 60E1A1 (ZU1-60).	Will be Complied. Switches will be manufactured to suit asymmetrical section of 60E1A1 (ZU1-60) rails and having two switches and stock rails each one on left- and right-hand side.
2	The switch rail shall be one piece with no weld or joint within the switch rail length.	Will be Complied. The switch rails are one piece and no weld or joint within the switch rail length.
3	The end of the asymmetrical switch rail shall be forged to 60E1 (UIC60) rail profile with minimum length of 500 mm. The forged 60E1A1 (ZU1-60) switch rail end shall be suitable for welding or installation of insulated rail joint.	Will be Complied. End of asymmetrical switch rail is forged to 60E1 (UIC 60) rail profile with minimum length of 60 Kg profile for 500mm, the forged 60E1A1 (ZU1-60) switch rail end is suitable for welding or installation of insulated joint.
4	Slide chairs in the switch portion shall be coated with an appropriate special coating, so as to reduce the point operating force and to eliminate the requirement of lubrication of sliding surfaces during service.	Will be Complied. Appropriate coating will be given.
5	Switches shall provide suitable flange way clearance between the stock rail and the switch rail with the	



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	switch rail in open position (minimum 60mm). The 1 in 12 and 1 in 9 (with radius of 300 mts) and flatter turnouts shall be provided with second drive or other suitable arrangement to ensure minimum gap of 60mm at JOH as well as proper housing of switch rail with stock rail up to JOH.	in the open position will be provided. Will be Complied The minimum gap of 60mm at JOH will be ensured. Turnout 1 in 9 300m radius is provided with second drive connecting rod with the point machine to ensure minimum gap of 60mm at JOH as well as proper housing of switch rail with stock rail up to JOH.
	1 in 8.5, 1 in 9turnouts (with radius of 190m) and 1 in 7 and sharper turnouts may not be provided with second drive arrangement, however minimum gap of 60mm at JOH as well as proper housing of switch rail with stock rail up to JOH should be ensured.	Will be Complied. Minimum gap of 60mm at JOH as well as proper housing of switch rail with stock rail up to JOH will be ensured.
	The normal opening of switch at toe of switch shall be kept as 160mm.	Will be Complied. The opening of switch at toe is 160mm.
6	The switch manufacturer shall include provision for all holes required to main drive machines, stretcher bars and detection equipment to suit the requirements of the signaling and switch operating system duly chamfered to avoid stress concentration at the edge of the holes.	Will be Complied. All holes required for the main drive machines and detection equipment to suit the requirements of the signaling and switch operating system are provided by the switch manufacturer and duly chamfered to avoid stress concentration at the edges of the holes.
7	The switches shall be designed with an anti-creep device at the heel of	Will be Complied. The switches are designed with an anti-creep

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	switch to withstand thermal forces of the CWR track.	device at the heel of switch to withstand thermal forces of the CWR track.
8	The switches and all slide chairs shall be same for ballasted and ballastless turnouts.	Will be Complied.
10.4.4	Crossings	
1	All crossings shall be of cast manganese steel (CMS) crossings with weldable rails of minimum 1.2m length undrilled for welding into the overall turnout.	Will be Complied. All the crossings will be of Cast Manganese Steel with weldable rails of minimum 1.2m undrilled for welding into the overall turnout.
2	The CMS crossings shall be manufactured from Austenitic Manganese steel as per UIC 866.	Will be Complied. The CMS crossings are manufactured from Austenitic Manganese Steel as per UIC866.
3	All CMS crossings shall have welded leg extensions of 60E1 (UIC60) rails. This shall be achieved by flash butt welding of buffer transition rail piece of suitable thickness to CMS crossings and rail leg extension.	Will be Complied. All CMS crossings having welded leg extensions of 60E1 rails, achieved by FBW.
4	All CMS crossings on main line shall have a minimum initial hardness of 340 BHN.	Will be Complied. Minimum initial hardness of 340 BHN will be ensured.
5	All CMS crossings and their welded leg extensions for all scissor crossovers shall be suitably dimensioned so as to eliminate the necessity of providing small cut rail pieces for the purpose of interconnection. However, the need for providing insulated glued joints from signaling requirement point of view shall be taken care of in the design, if required.	extensions for scissors crossovers are suitably dimensioned and the signaling requirement also taken care.



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6	The provision of rail cant shall be taken care of on the top surface of the CMS crossing and the bottom surface of all CMS crossing shall be flat.	Will be Complied and the bottom surface of all CMS crossings are flat.
10.4.5	Check Rails	
1	The check rail section shall be 33C1 (UIC33) or similar without any direct connection with running rails.	Will be Complied. Check rail section is 33C1 (UIC33) without any direct connection with running rails.
2	Check rails shall have the facility for the adjustment of check rail clearances up-to 10mm over and above the initial designed clearance.	Will be Complied. Check rails will be having the facility for clearance adjustment up to 10mm over and above the initial designed clearance.
3	Each check rail end shall be flared by machining to have minimum clearance of 62mm at end.	Will be Complied. Flared ends will be achieved by machining and having minimum clearance of 62mm at end.
4	The check rail connections in turnouts shall be through specially designed bearing plates / brackets.	Will be Complied. Check rail connections in turnouts will be through specially designed bearing plates/brackets.
5	All the check rails shall be higher by 25mm above running rails. The lengths and positions of the check rail in diamond crossings shall provide safety and be compatible with the overall track layout.	Will be Complied. Check rails will be higher by 25mm above the running rails and length and position of the check rails in diamond crossings will be suitably designed & compatible with overall track layout.
10.4.6	Sleeper for Turnouts, Scissor crossover (Ballasted Track)	
10.4.6.1	Sleeper shall be of pre-stressed concrete, mono-block, suitable for installation in track both with and without signaling circuits and with and without electrification.	Will be Complied

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SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
10.4.6.2	Sleepers shall be designed to provide a minimum service life of fifty years under nominal axle load as that of main line for the Metro system. Rail seat pads and rail clip etc shall be designed to provide a minimum service life of 15 years.	Will be Complied
10.4.6.3	The sleeper base surface shall be rough cast while the top and side surface shall be smooth to prevent retention of moisture and foreign materials.	Will be Complied
10.4.6.4	Sleepers must be suitable for installation by track laying machines and sleeper insertion equipment of a type used for isolated sleeper laying.	Will be Complied
10.4.6.5	The sleeper must be able to transfer all the relevant track forces generated by train operations and the forces of rail expansion and contraction to the ballast.	Will be Complied
10.4.6.6	Design Requirements for PSC Sleepers:	
(A)	The sleepers should satisfy the following design requirement:	
(i)	Design Parameters Rail sleeper fastening - Elastic resilient type	Will be Complied
(ii)	Spacing of sleepers – 600mm (max) for main line and 650 mm (max) for Depots and other non-running lines, except at few locations such as near point machine locations where it may be varied to meet the design	
(iii)	requirements.	

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SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
(iv)	Ballast cushion – 300 mm for mainline and 250mm for Depots and sidings Ballast profile suitable for LWR/CWR.	Will be Complied,300mm Ballast cushion provided for depot. Will be Complied
(i)	Specifications and Drawings (With latest amendment) Special Cement – IRS-39:2021 for PSC Sleeper 53 grade OPC to BIS Specification IS-269:2015.	Will be Complied
(ii) (iii)	HTS wire plain and strand — BIS — 1785 (Pt-1) 1983 and BIS 6006 Polyethylene dowels —Drg. No. RDSO/ T-3002, IRS Specification for polyethylene dowels for concrete Sleepers-Serial no. T-57:2020.	Will be Complied Will be Complied
(iv)	IRS Specification for Turnout Sleeper T- 45: 2021	Will be Complied
(v) (vi)	IRS Bridge code 1982 Code of Practice for Pre-stressed Concrete IS-1343	Will be Complied Will be Complied
(B)	The design should satisfy the following additional requirements-	
(i)	The connections of the slide chairs and bearing plates/special bearing plates/brackets shall be designed for easy installation and maintenance. All the fittings shall be suitably designed to ensure full compatibility & also to ensure interchangeability of slide chairs between ballasted and ballastless turnouts.	Will be Complied
(ii)	For attaining suitable cant of the rail, as provided on mainline,	Will be Complied

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SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
	(excluding crossing and switch portion), suitably designed pads of appropriate material shall be provided between rail pad & PSC sleeper. Also fastening system should be designed to get the desired Toe Load.	
(iv)	The detailed design of Monoblock PSC sleepers for the turnouts along with structural drawings shall be checked and approved by metro railways.	Will be Complied

11.SWITCH EXPANSION JOINT

SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
1	The SEJ for ballasted track shall be laid on PSC sleepers whereas the SEJs for ballastless track, if required, shall be laid on reinforced concrete slab.	Not applicable since SEJ is not envisaged to be used.
2	The rail section for all SEJs shall be UIC 60, 1080 HH grade as per IRS-T-12-2009.	
3	The SEJ for ballasted track shall be designed for a maximum gap of 80 mm.	
4	The SEJ for ballastless track should be designed for the maximum gap required as per design.	
5	The ballasted SEJ shall be as per RDSO drawing T-6902 & T-6922.	
7	Sleepers used for SEJs shall be flat and cant will be provided through CI chair.	
8	The SEJ shall be suitable for two-way directional traffic.	

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12. FASTENING SYSTEM FOR BALLASTLESS TRACK

SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
	Provisions contained separately in "PERFORMANCE CRITERIA OF FASTENING SYSTEM FOR BALLASTLESS TRACK ON METRO RAILWAYS/MRTS SYSTEM" (Annexure C-2) be referred to.	Railway Board has approved Annexure C2 for Chennai Metro Phase II vide letter No.

13.NOISE AND VIBRATION

Standards stipulated		CMRL Co	mplianc	e
Metro system shall be designed to ensure that noise emitted is well within the prescribed limits for the particular area. Each Metro system shall specify the prescribed limits of permissible	for n (Regula	e Complied. Soise is as ation and Connat Air quality s	per No trol) Rule	oise-Pollution es,2000.
Noise and vibration parameters as	Area	Category of	Limits	In dB(A) Leg
per legal and statutory requirement of India.	code	Area/Zone	Day Time	Night Time
	(A)	Industrial Area	75	70
	(B)	Commercial	65	55
	(C)	Residential	55	45
	(D)	Silence Zone	50	40
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Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
	ambient noise levels and airborne noise
	from train operations radiated at-grade
	and elevated structures, while ground-
	borne noise and vibration are of primary
	concern in underground operations.
	4. To provide a baseline for the analysis of
	potential noise effects caused by the
	metro operations at the DPR stage, 24-
	hour measurements were conducted at 19
	sites along the metro corridors, which
	include residences and other buildings.
	5. Based on the noise modelling results, it
1	was inferred that the effect of predicted
	day-time noise level has low impact with
	respect to the existing ambient noise
	environment.
	6. Further to above Chennai Metro Rail has
	engaged M/s. ARTS- Austria to conduct
	Noise and Vibration studies in entire Phase
	II corridors and suggest mitigation
	measures wherever required, which is in
	progress, based on the outcome of the
	study necessary measures will be taken by
	CMRL both in underground as wel
	elevated section to mitigate the noise and
	vibration due to metro train operation.

14.GRADIENTS

SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance			
14.1	The maximum grade (compensated) shall be 4%.	Maximum grade is 3.98% will be Complied			
Note: (i)	There will be no change of gradient in transition portion of curves.	Will be Complied			



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SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
(ii)	The gradient will be compensated for curvature at the rate of 0.04% per degree of curve.	Will be Complied
14.2	Maximum permissible gradient on turnouts	
(i)	On Ballasted Track 0.25%	Ballasted Track laid only at Poonamallee depot, is with level Track.
(ii)	On Ballastless Track 3%	Gradient of 2.64% provided at Poonamallee Bybass station.
Note: (i)	There shall be no change of gradient (i.e., Vertical curve) on and within 15 m (desirable)/3.0 m (minimum) of any turnout on ballastless track. In case of ballasted track, there shall be no change of gradient on and within 30 meters of any turnout.	Will be Complied. A minimum of 3m distance between turnout and change of grade on ballastless track will be ensured.
(ii)	There shall be no horizontal curve within 15 m (desirable)/3.0 m (minimum) of any turnout on ballastless track and 30 meters of any turnout on ballasted track.	Will be Complied. A minimum of 3m distance between turnout and horizontal curve on ballastless track will be ensured.
(iii)	Turnout shall normally be installed on straight track. In exceptional situations, turnout may take off from curve provided that the radius of lead curve(main line as well as diverging line) is not less than 190 m. The negotiability of rolling stocks on such turnout must be certified- by rolling stock supplier and confirmed through oscillation trial and a suitable speed restriction should be	Will be Complied

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SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
	imposed on main and/or diverging line based on track geometry and other considerations required. In commencement of vertical curve or another horizontal curve shall be 15 m for ballast less track. Turnout shall not be laid on transition curve.	
(iv)	The limit of turnout for above purpose shall be taken for stock rail joint (SRJ) to end (i.e., Heel) of crossing for ballast less track. For ballasted track, it shall be from SRJ to last common sleeper behind end of crossings.	Noted
(∨)	Metro Authority need to ensure that rolling stock is fit to negotiate the maximum permissible gradient on turnout considering the location of turnout with respect to vertical/horizontal curves in vicinity.	Noted
(vi)	The above stipulations shall also be applicable for turnouts to be laid outside station limit, if any.	Noted
14.3	Track Gradient in Platform	
(a)	Desirable Gradient: Level	Will be Complied. Gradients at all platforms are 'level'.
(b)	Maximum Gradient: 1 in 1200	Will be Complied.
(c)	Exceptional Gradient: 1 in 400	Will be Complied.
Note: (i)	Any gradient steeper than 1 in 1200 and up to exceptional gradient of 1 in 400 shall be proposed by civil Engineering	Noted



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SI. No.	Standards stipulated	CMRL Compliance
	head and approved by Managing Director in consultation with head of safety nominated by Metro Rail Authority.	
(ii)	There shall be no change of gradient in platform track	Will be Complied



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Part-B: Salient features of Track Structure as adopted by Metro Railways.

i) Track

SI No.	Components / Items	Provisions / Reference
1	Gauge .	1435mm
2	Axle Load	16 T
3	Design Speed	90kmph as per SOD
4	Rail Section and Grade	Main line = 60 E1 1080 grade HH Depot line = 60 E1 grade 880
5	Rail Specifications	IRS T-12-2009:Reprint-2021(upto ACS-5
6	Ballasted or Ballastless	Viaduct and underground mainline - Ballastless (BLT) Poonamallee Depot Ballasted Madhavaram Depot- Ballast less
7	Rail inclination (Canting of Track)	1 in 20
8	Check Rails provision	On main line in curves with radius 190m or lesser
9	Provision of Derailment upstand/Guard	Provided on viaduct and Underground /BLT
10	Horizontal Clearance of Derailment upstand	210 ± 30mm For Double resilient baseplate Assembly system- 250 ± 20mm
11	Vertical location of Derailment upstand w.r.t. Rail plane	Not lower than 25mm from Rail top level (Provision in SOD)
12	Glued insulated Rail Joint provided? If Yes, type of GIRL	NO
13	Welding Of Rail (LWR /CWR)	CWR
14	Whether SEJ provided? If Yes Type of SEJ	NO
15	Type of welding	FBW and SKV (Alumino Thermic)

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ii) Turnouts and switches

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SI. No	Components /Items	Scissors cross over (1 in 9) 190 ballasted	Turnouts (1 in 9) 190 ballasted	Turnouts (1 in 9) 300 ballasted	Turnouts (1 in 7) 140 ballasted	Turnout (1 in 9) 190 ballastless	Turnout (1 in 7 190) ballastless	Turnout (1 in 9) 300 ballastless	Scissors cross over ballastless. (1 in 9) 300	Scissors cross over ballastiess (1 in 7) 190
1	Type of turnout scissors cross over (crossing angle)	Scissors cross Over.crossi ng angle=6.34	Turnout (1 in 9). crossing angle=1 in 9 (6.34°)	Turnout (1 in 9), crossing angle=1 in 9 (6.34°)	Turnout (1 in 7). crossing angle=1 in 7 (8.13°)	Turnout (1 in 9). crossing angle=1 in 9 (6.34°)	Turnout (1 in 7), crossing angle=1 in 7 (8.13°)	Turnout (1 in 9). crossing angle=1 in 9 (6.34°)	Turnout (1 in 9), crossing angle=1 in 9 (6.34°)	Turnout (1 in 7). crossing angle=1 in 7 (8.13°)
2	Canted/un canted	canted (1 in 20)	canted (1 in 20)	canted (1 in 20)	canted (1 in 20)	canted (1 in 20)	canted (1 in 20)	canted (1 in 20)	canted (1 in 20)	canted (1 in 20)
3	Radius	190 m	190 m	300 m	140 m	190 m	190	300 m	300 m	190
4	Length of switches	-11.470 m	11.470 m	14.390m	11.460m	11.470 m	11.470m	14.390 m	14.390 m	11.470m
5	Type of switches (thick web or otherwise)	Thick web switches	Thick web switches	Thick web switches	Thick web switches	Thick web switches	Thick web switches	Thick web	Thick web switches	Thick web switches
6	Switch Entry angle	(0 °8' 50")	(0 °8' 50 ")	(0 °8' 50 ''	(0 °8' 50 '')	(0 °8 ' 50 '')	(0 08' 50 ")	(0 °8′12″)	(0 °8'12")	(0 °8' 50 '')
7	Speed Potential	35 Kmph	35 Kmph	45 Kmph	25 Kmph	35 Kmph	35 Kmph	45 Kmph	45 Kmph	35 Kmph
8	Location of use Main line/Depot	Depot	Depot	Depot	Depot	Main line	Main line	Main line	Main line	Main line

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9	Rail section used for switches	60 E1 1080HH grade rails as per IRS T-12/2009 for stock rail and (60 E1 A1 (asymmetrical)- 1080HH for switch/ton gue rail)	60E1 1080HH grade rails as per IRS T-12/2009 for stock rail and (60 E1 A1 (asymmetrical)- 1080HH for switch/ton gue rail)	60E1 1080HH grade rails as per IRS T- 12/2009 for stock rail and (60 E1 A1 (asymetri cal)- 1080HH for switch/to ngue rail)	60E1 1080HH grade rails as per IRS T-12/2009 for stock rail and (60 E1 A1 (asymetric al)- 1080HH for switch/ton gue rail)	60E1 1080 grade HH ralls as per IRS T- 12/2009 for stock rail and 60 E1 A1 (asymetrica I)-1080 HH for switch/ton gue rail	60E1 1080 grade HH rails as per IRS T- 12/2009 for stock rail and 60 E1 A1 (asymetrical) -1080 HH for switch/tongu e rail	GOE1 1080 grade HH rails as per IRS T- 12/2009 for stock rail and 60 E1 A1 (asymetrica I)-1080 HH for switch/ton gue rail	NA	60E1 1080 grade HH rails as per IRS T- 12/2009 for stock rail and 60 E1 A1 (asymetrical)- 1080 HH for switch/tongue rail
10	Second Drive provided	NA	NA	Provided	NA	NA	NA	Provided	Provided	NA

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iii) Crossings

SI No.	Components / Items	Provisions / Reference		
1	Crossing: Curved or Straight	1 in 9 R190m, 1 in 9 R300m, 1 in 7 R190 m = Curved		
2	Crossing: Canted or uncanted	Canted		
3	Length of Weldable length extension	Minimum 1200 mm		
4	Check Rail section	UIC 33		
5	Height of Check rail above the rail plane	25 mm		
6	Check Rail clearance at the middle	41mm to 44mm		
7	Check Rail clearance at the end	Min 62 mm		

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