

Government of India
Ministry of Railways
(Railway Board)

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FA&CAOs,
All Zonal Railways/PUs.

Sub:- Procurement of oracle software license.

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As you are aware, Board had approved extension of SDT applications (AFRES & PRIME) onto 7 major railways at selected sites in first phase. These applications run on RDBMS platform and need oracle software as backend. Southern Railway had been authorised to obtain corporate license from Oracle India Ltd (OEM) for all the Railways for both SDT and MIS applications and the Railways were directed to place their indents with Southern Railway which supplied these licenses to respective Railways.

Now, Board have approved extension of AFRES/PRIME to all remaining divisions/Railways under Phase-II and also the extension of MMIS & MIS on Railways in a phased manner. Extension of these applications would also require substantial oracle licenses, which have been placed on Southern Railway by the Railways. But Southern Railway has not been able to extend the contract for oracle product licenses and the same may take some more time.

The issue was also raised by Railways in the FA&CAOs' Conference held in Board's Office on 31/3/05 and it was decided that the Railways may place their enquiry/orders direct with M/s. Oracle India Ltd subject to conditions in their agreement that the number of licenses procured through such individual orders will be counted against the order placed by Southern Railway, if any, at a later date for Oracle licenses and the final rate payable by each Railway would be the lower of the prices/rates offered by the firm to individual Railways and the ones agreed to in the agreement entered to with Southern Railway for Oracle products.

Action may be taken accordingly under advice to Southern Railway.

This issues with the approval of Finance Directorate.



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