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FA&CAOs,

All Zonal Railways / PUs (As per enclosed list)

Sub: Recoveries at the instance of Audit.

Please connect Board's instructions on the above subject, issued from time to time, requesting Railways to tighten the internal check mechanism, fix responsibility wherever necessary to prevent recurrence of lapses leading to overpayment/ non-recoveries pointed out by Audit. Despite repeated instructions however, instances of recoveries at the instance of audit show a rising trend on some Railways as indicated below:

(Rs in Crores)

S.no	Railways (With recovery over Rs. 1 Crore as per Audit)	02-03	03-04	04-05	05-06	06-07
1	Central (including MTP)	6.27	2.69	1.29	2.95	1.62
2	Eastern	-	21.41	2.78		
3	Northern (including CORE, RDSO, DCW, DLW, RCF & COFMOW)	8.34	16.53	5.30	6.96	8.90
4	NC			1.51	-	7.66
5	North Eastern	10.04	9.01	3.10	1.13	2.41
6	Northeast Frontier	-	1.22	1.59	1.30	1.07
7	North Western	-	-	3.87	13.75	6.49
8	Southern (including RWF, ICF & MTP)	4.02	3.29	5.55	7.86	2.27
9	South Central	4.09	2.81	2.21	4.48	1.73
10	South Eastern	12.02	-	5.26	9.02	2.54
11	Western	3.43	3.08	3.86	3.02	2.43
12	South East Central		5.33	3.62	1.45	1.22
13	East Coast		1.17		-	
14	East Central			3.94	2.83	1.53
15	West Central			1.48	-	1.81
16	South Western				1.17	

It is a matter of concern that the incidence of recoveries pointed out by Audit are increasing and some of these pertain to transactions already covered under internal check by the Accounts Department. This calls for an immediate review of the internal checking machinery to streamline the systems and to fix responsibilities wherever necessary. The instances of short collection /overpayments may be examined duly listing out reasons of recurring deficiencies and circulated to dealing officials for information and guidance.

Further, test checks / inspections may be carried out to preclude such instances in future besides ensuring complete recovery of undercharges/ overpayments from the concerned staff / parties.

Please acknowledge receipt & ensure compliance.

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