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

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Sub: Overdue inspections and compliance

Regular inspection and maintenance of assets is important for ensuring reliability of assets. Monitoring of inspection and compliance thereof is necessary for ensuring timely detection and attention to deficiencies. Indian Railway has a web enabled Track Management System (TMS) to ensure monitoring of track inspection and maintenance activities at various levels of Railway working.

The review of TMS Dashboard has revealed that a number of Points & Crossings are due for inspection over different divisions of Zonal Railways. Also, compliance of deficiencies noticed in Joint Point & Crossing inspections are pending. Compliance of deficiencies noted in Joint Point & Crossing inspections involve coordinated working by Engineering and Signalling officials alongwith requirement of block in majority of cases involving attention to switches.

Therefore, it is important that inspection of Points & Crossings, Curves and other assets as per laid down schedule of inspection and attention to deficiencies involving coordinated working between departments should be regularly monitored over Railways by DRMs.

Similarly, the defects noticed during USFD testing of rails and welds need to be attended within stipulated time. On review of data fed in TMS, it is seen that number of DFWR welds are continuing in track beyond stipulated time period. Removal of these defects require proper planning alongwith traffic block.

A detailed planning need to be done for elimination of DFWR welds and other rail/weld defects in different sections of the Railway in a time bound manner and progress should be monitored at regular basis. Block requirement for attention of above deficiencies and USFD defects should form part of Rolling Block programme.

Details of Review done for inspections and Action taken on above items may be communicated to Board at the earliest.

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