

भारतसरकार(GOVERNMENT OF INDIA)
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**Principal Chief Engineers,
Indian Railways.**

Subject: Inspection of LWR/CWR Track Structures on Bridges

1. The provisions related to continuation of LWR/CWR track on bridges and its approaches have been covered in Para-329, 330 and 331 of Indian Railways Permanent Way Manual (IRPWM).
2. With the passage of time due to change in track structure e.g. CTR/TRR (52 kg to 60 kg Rails etc.), there may be a few cases where LWR/CWR on bridges might not be now complying with the above provisions of IRPWM.
3. To ensure that the relevant provisions of IRPWM related to track structures (including Rails, Sleepers, Fastenings, Ballast, Formation etc.) on bridges and its approaches are complied with, as a one-time measure, it has been decided by Board that all such locations of bridges and its approaches falling in the territory of LWR/CWR shall be checked by ADENs and deficiencies, if any, be rectified in a time bound manner, say within three months.
4. Further, Assistant Divisional Engineers (ADENs) should invariably inspect LWR/CWR structures on bridges falling within their jurisdiction during their scheduled inspections.
5. Concerned branch officers and higher officers may also be obligated to oversee the conditions of LWR/CWR track over the bridges and its approaches during their visit to ensure its conformity with extant provisions of IRPWM.
6. Zonal Railways are requested to ensure the compliance of the above instructions at field level.

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