

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(RAILWAY BOARD)**

No.2022/F(X)II/PW/1

New Delhi, dated 18/10/2024

The General Managers, Indian Railways.
The Director General, RDSO, Lucknow.
The General Manager, CORE, Allahabad.
CAOs (Const).
CAO, MTP/Mumbai.
CAO/DMW.

Sub: Delegation of Powers to CAO/Con for construction projects.

Ref: Board's letter No. 2022/F(X)II/PW/1 dated 11.07.2024

Attention is invited to Board's letter of even number dated 11.07.2024, wherein certain modifications were issued in the delegation of powers for Construction organization. In this connection, references have been received from few Railways seeking clarification in respect of table-II attached with the above letter.

2. To address the issues raised by Railways, Table-II has been slightly modified. Annexure-I including the modification in Table-II is attached herewith.

Enclosure: Annexure-I



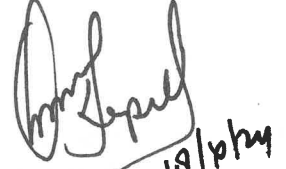
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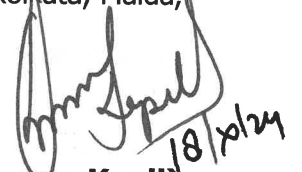
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Table-I:

| SN | Nature of powers | Extent of powers |
|-----------|---|---|
| 1 | Approval for offloading contracts for the Last Milestone Construction projects likely to be commissioned within 6 months. | <p>CAO/C Upto 10% of Contract Price or 50 cr. whichever is less.</p> <p>CPM/CE(C) Upto 5% of Contract Price or 20 cr. whichever is less.</p> <p>Additional cost, recovered from the pending dues of the contractor.</p> <p>EPC: Nil</p> |
| 2 | Survey Estimate: | <p>Where variation is upto 20% of an original estimate sanctioned by higher authorities, CAO/C can sanction survey estimate provided the surveys are included in the sanctioned budget.</p> <p>(Railway Board letter no. 2021/F(X)II/PW/III dt. 21/09/2021)</p> |
| 3 | Land Payment: | <p>For payment of land cost due to:-</p> <p>a. Full price escalation.</p> <p>B. Upto 20% due to increase in quantity.</p> <p>CAO/C may sanction Sub-Estimate of Land with concurrence of FA&CAO/C and payment may be released if project is getting delayed on this account without waiting for sanction of revised estimate of the project. The revised estimate should necessarily include this sub-estimate of increased land cost before sanction.</p> <p>(Rly Bd's letter no. 2022/F(X)II/PW/3 dt. 20/07/2022)</p> |
| 4 | <p>Tender Acceptance:</p> <p>(Rly Bd's letter no.2015/CE-I/CT/O/20/1 dt.14.09.2021)</p> | <p>Acceptance of EPC/Non EPC Tenders:</p> <p>i) CAO/Con: Full powers</p> <p>ii) CPM/CE(C): upto 50cr for non EPC & upto 100Cr. for EPC</p> |
| 5 | Consultancy services on technical matters on single tender basis | CAO/C- 2Cr. |

Table-II:

| Description | Extent of Powers |
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| 1. Variation in quantities of individual items | <p>Variation in quantities of individual items beyond 150% will be prohibited and would be permitted only in exceptional unavoidable circumstances with the concurrence of Associate Finance and shall be paid at 96% of the rate awarded for that item in that particular tender</p> <p>However for Last Milestone Construction Projects with commissioning target in next 6 months, Variation in quantities of individual items beyond 150% shall be permitted with the concurrence of FA&CAO/Con and personal approval of CAO/Con and shall be paid at 96% of the rate awarded for that item in that particular tender.</p> <p>(Note 4 for Item 9(A), Part-A, Works Matters of MSOP-2018)</p> |
| 2. Execution of quantities beyond the overall agreement value | <p>Execution of quantities beyond 150% of the overall agreement value should not be permitted and, if found necessary, should be only through fresh tenders or by negotiating with the existing contractor, with personal concurrence of PFA and personal sanction of General Manager.</p> <p>However for Last Milestone Construction Projects with commissioning target in next 6 months, Execution of quantities beyond 150% of the overall agreement value shall be permitted with the personal concurrence of FA&CAO/Con and personal approval of CAO/Con and shall be paid at 96% of the rate awarded for that item in that particular tender.</p> <p>(Note 6 for Item 9(A), Part-A, Works Matters of MSOP-2018)</p> |