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The Chief Mechanical Engineer, All Indian Railways.

Sub: Attachment of ICF Design RA in rake with LHB coaches.

Ref: (i) CRSE/NCR's letter No. Mech./520/III/RA/OCV dtd 16.12.16.

- (ii) CRSE/ER's letter No. MC.1393/LHB/X dtd 17.08.16.
- (iii) Board's letter No. 2007/M(C)/LHB/Coach dtd 13.09.13.

Based on the technical clearance by RDSO vide letter at ref (iii) for attachment of ICF RA in rake with LHB coaches, NR had conducted field trials with the same composition of train and the trial results were found satisfactory.

In view of above, extended trial of attaching modified ICF design RA in rake with LHB coaches, is permitted on Zonal Railways to generate sufficient field experience. Necessary modifications of providing adopters/spacers of side buffers of such ICF design RA in rake with LHB coaches should be necessarily done to avoid the problem of longitudinal jerks. The results of the extended trial may be advised to Railway Board.

This disposes of NCR & ER's letters at ref (i) & (ii).

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