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

No. 2018/M(C)/143/2

New Delhi, dated: 23.05.2019

General Managers
All Zonal Railways


Sub: Foul Smell from Bio-toilets / Toilet Ventilation.

Stench in the toilets is an important issue identified for corrective action by Railway Board. Adequate instructions have already been issued to Zonal Railways from Railway Board and RDSO to overcome this problem especially in Bio-toilet coaches. The main items identified in this reference are as under:-

- i. Adequacy of flushing system.
- ii. Adequacy of exhaust arrangement including provision of venturi arrangement and high capacity exhaust fan.
- iii. Suitable changes in toilet door and window for effective air circulation, etc.
- iv. Proper maintenance including coverage of all coaches under AMOC, timely evacuation from 1st chamber, no use of inoculums with expiry date, proper storage facilities of inoculums etc. to be arranged.

The issue was again discussed during Board meeting held on 09.05.2019. Board has desired that timeline may be drawn to resolve the issue of foul smell in bio-toilets.

It is requested that action plan including timeline for elimination of foul smell in toilets may be communicated for perusal of Board within next 10 days. It is further requested that concerned field officials may be sensitized regarding importance of this issue and strict adherence to the chalked out timeline.

 23/5/19.

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