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Sub: Policy for provision of CDTS in coaching stock

Performance of Controlled Discharge Toilet Systems (CDTS) has been a matter of serious concern and inputs from field units indicate abysmal position. Availability of AMOC or lack of it is a secondary issue, given that some Railways have achieved a fair amount of CDTS uptime. IR cannot resort to bulk purchase, year after year, when performance in the field is so poor, whatever be the reasons for it, be it bad manufacture or indifferent maintenance.

Performance of Railways will be judged by the CDTS uptime they achieve, so that they cease to view it merely as an issue confronting PUs and RDSO. AMOC is not a compulsion as WR has demonstrated. The Railways should appreciate that proper functioning of CDTS is not merely an internal issue for the Railways but it is a commitment towards our passengers and better sanitation at the stations. Railways must ensure that 90% of the CDTS units available on coaches of their holding are made fully functional/operational by 31.12.10.

Henceforth, CDTS will find only restricting application, till an all round system improvement is achieved in line with expectations of the passengers. In light of the situation as stands on the Railways, in supersession to all previous instructions, it has been decided that:

- Fresh induction of CDTS will be initially restricted only to Rajdhani, Duronto and Shatabdi coaches to be manufactured in the PUs and further proliferation will be considered after reasonable uptime has been achieved on the Railways.
- Meanwhile RDSO and PUs (RCF & ICF) should cut out ambiguities in the purchase specification that impact performance in an uninterrupted manner.
  Till new specifications are adopted, ongoing tender considerations will be obliged to do quantity reviews so that purchase to existing specifications is suitably curtailed.

Compliance may kindly be ensured.

This issues with the approval of the Board (MM).

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