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All Indian Railways

Sub: Revised colour scheme for wagons to be operated on Indian Railway’s network.
Ref: This office letter of even no. dated 25.09.2018

The matter of revision of colour scheme of all wagons on IR has been under consideration of Board and Board (MRS) has approved painting of body of all wagons:

(a) For all Indian Railways’ wagons Gentian Blue (RAL 5010) should be the prescribed colour. This will be uniformly applicable to all 25T axle load wagons, stainless steel wagons and all other wagons, owned by IR.

(b) For all privately owned wagons under CTO, AFTO, SFTO and LWIS and other such schemes the new colour should be Signal Red as the prescribed colour.

(c) For all private wagons under General Purpose Wagon Investment Scheme (GPWIS), the standard colour should be black grey (RAL 7021)

(d) The revised colour scheme and corresponding marking diagrams should be issued by RDSO immediately and advised to wagon manufacturers and other stakeholders for earliest cut-in for new production.

(e) The above change in colour scheme would not be applicable to the following wagons:
   - BTCS – Caustic soda
   - BTAC type – Alumina
   - BTPGLN type – Liquified Petroleum Gas
   - BTAP – Aluminium powder (bulk)
   - BCCW – Cement & fly ash (bulk)
   - BCBFG – Cement & fly ash (bulk)
   - BCACBM – Automobile
   - BTPN & BTLFN – POL and other liquids

(f) The above changed colour scheme would also not be applicable on all types of brake vans, which will continue to be painted in silver paint to IS 2339.

It has been decided that all wagons, which are coming for POH shall be painted as per the revised colour scheme during POH and turned out. This however, should be applicable universally after existing stock of conventional paints are exhausted so as to ensure that there is no wastage of paints already procured for painting of wagons during POH.

Accordingly, for implementation of the above revised scheme for painting of wagons during POH, the existing stock of paints available with the workshops should be assessed and based on the stock available the date from which all wagons can be turned out with revised painting scheme should be worked out and advised to Board at the earliest.
While implementing the above, it is to be ensured that the existing stock of paints wherever available must always be consumed before 100% implementation of the revised painting scheme on all wagons coming in for POH.

This issues with the concurrence of Finance Dte of Ministry of Railways.

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