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

No.2007/M(N)/951/4

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New Delhi, dated 14.12.07

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The Chief Mechanical Engineers N.W.R
The Financial Adviser & Chief Accounts Officers
All Indian Railways.

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Sub: Maintenance charges of rolling stock (coaches, wagons etc.)
owned by other Government departments like M/o Defence.

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Ref: 1. Board's letter No.2005/M(N)/951/1 dated 12.4.07.

2. Addl.Dte.General/Movement, M/o Defence letter No.
B/18112/III/ADG(Mov.)/Milrail dated 6.11.07.

Vide Board's letter at ref.(1), Railways were advised to work out the maintenance charges and interest & depreciation charges based on the latest available cost of similar stock. For situations when such latest available cost were not current, Railways were advised to calculate the present day cost based on existing codal provisions.

Subsequently, Defence authorities have reported that the calculation of present day cost of stock which has not been procured in the current financial year is not being done on Railways using a uniform criteria.

It is clarified that in case of rolling stock owned by other Govt. departments and Ministries, the following procedure may be adopted:

"For assessing maintenance charges of an item of rolling stock, whose manufacturing has been discontinued in the past, Zonal Railways should work out the current capital cost of the rolling stock on the basis of average inflation rate as per RBI index (Reserve Bank of India Index Nos. for wholesale prices in India: A/ Commodities) after obtaining the last manufacturing cost."

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Railways may take necessary action accordingly for all future bills to be raised. These clarifications shall also be applicable on any previous bills/ outstanding which are pending on account of objections/disputes raised by concerned other Govt. departments/Ministries on the above grounds.

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

Ajay Nandan
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Copy to: 1. Director of Audit, All Indian Railways.
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For Financial Commissioner
Railways.