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Sub: Provision of Tail Light and Tail Lamp vide GR 4.15(1)(a) & GR

4.16(1)(b) respectively.

Ref: CSO/NER's letter No.Safety/537/0-A/19/Pt.9 dated 20.01.2016.

CSO/NER vide his letter referred to above has referred to NER's SR 4.16(ii) which provide that the tail light of the brake van or SLR is to be switched off in the case of vehicles attached in rear of it and as per Central Railway's SR 4.16(1)(g) switch off fixed tail light during train operation. It has been requested that Board may re-examine GR 4.15(1)(a) and GR 4.16(1)(b) and issue necessary directions to switch off tail light in passenger carrying trains when flashing tail lamp is used.

As per existing provision in GR 4.15(1)(a) and GR 4.16(1) in last vehicle of passenger carrying train atleast one red tail light, and two side lights showing red towards the rear and white towards the engine and a red tail lamp of approved design displaying a flashing red light to indicate last vehicle check device.

The existing provisions as brought out in SR 4.16-1(g) of Central Railway provides that "Brake vans and certain other vehicles are fitted with fixed electric tail lamps. These fixed tail lamps must not be used, but a portable tail lamp should be used. Particular care should be exercised that the fixed tail lamp is not lit when vehicles are attached behind such brakevans or other vehicles.' Same provision exists in SRs of NCR and WCR. Since SRs of CR, NCR & WCR are in contravention of GR 4.15(1)(a) the same needs to be reviewed in line with GR.

Action may accordingly be taken under advise to this office.

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