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Government of India
Ministry of Railways
Railway Board

No. 2003/Safety(A&R)/1/12

New Delhi, Dt. 22.07.2010

The General Manager,
All Indian Railways

Sub:- Statutory Investigation and Inquiries into Railway Accidents.
Ref:- Board's letter of even no. dated 19.07.2010.

Vide my above mentioned letter the general procedure for dealing with CRS Inquiry Reports had been explained to the Zonal Railways. Query has been made by some of the Zonal Railways as to whether this is in modification of earlier guidelines issued by the Safety Directorate vide letter No. 99/Safety(A&R)/1/38 dt. 08.02.2000 copy of which is enclosed.

It is clarified that the guidelines for dealing with CRS Inquiry Reports issued in both the letters quoted above are very similar. The circular dated 08.02.2000 gives a detailed Activity Time Chart for the finalization of CRS Inquiry Report. The procedure prescribed in it, however, is the same as the one given in general guidelines stated in our letter dated 19.07.2010.

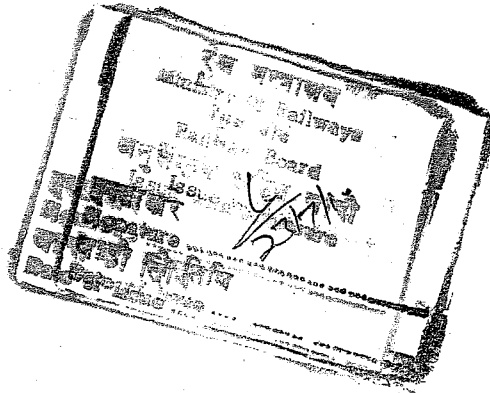
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MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
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No.99/Safety(A&R)/1/38

New Delhi, dated 08.02.2000

The General Manager (Safety),
All Zonal Railways

Sub: Guidelines for dealing with CRS cases.

A large number of CRS cases are pending with various directorates in Railway Board and also with Zonal Railways. Some of these are more than 6 years old. This is primarily because stipulated guidelines are not being followed at various levels. To streamline and improve the existing system it is felt necessary that a detailed time bound target be fixed up for each stage so that CRS cases can be finalized within a reasonable time.

2. Following guidelines are hereby issued to Zonal Railways and different Directorates in order ensure finalization of CRS inquiry reports within six months.

<u>Target</u>	<u>Activity</u>
(i) D	Day of Accident.
(ii) D + 3	CRS will commence his inquiry.
(iii) D + 10	CRS will forward a brief preliminary narrative report, provisional finding and immediate recommendations to CCRS, GM of Railway concerned, Secretary(Safety), Ministry of Railway and Secretary, Ministry of Civil Aviation.

On receipt of the Preliminary Report in Railway Board, same will be forwarded to Directorates concerned for suitable action on immediate recommendations.

(iv) D + 30

(a) GM of Railway concerned will furnish his Railway's remarks along with the action taken report to CRS and Secretary (Safety), Railway Board.

(b) Action taken by Directorates in Railway Board will be communicated to the Safety Directorate.

(v) D + 60

CRS will submit his detailed report to CCRS and forward a copy of the report to each of authorities mentioned in the rule 4 of the Statutory Investigation into Railway Accident Rules, 1973.

On receipt of final report, it will be put up to Board and marked to Directorate concerned for action on the Inquiry Report. The Directorate concerned shall take suitable action on recommendation and will guide Zonal Railway on important policy matters.

D+90

On receipt of the Final Inquiry Report, GM of Railway concerned shall forward his comments on the Final Inquiry Report to CRS with copy to CCRS and Railway Board.

On receipt of final inquiry report, Safety Directorate will forward views of Safety Directorate to CCRS.

D+110

CCRS will submit his note on inquiry report to Secretary/Ministry of Civil Aviation forwarding simultaneously copies thereof to Railway Board.

Comments of CCRS will be forwarded to different Directorates for suitable action.

D+140

Directorates concerned will submit action taken report on recommendations of CRS and comments of CCRS, after getting the same approved by the Executive Director concerned.

(a) In case recommendation has been accepted and instruction has been issued, 30 copies of the same should be forwarded to Safety Directorate.

(b) In case any recommendation is not acceptable, approval of the Board (Member concerned) must be obtained and communicated to the Safety Directorate.

D-150

Railway Board will communicate their views on the report to CCRS endorsing a copy to Zonal Railway.

Railway shall finalize D&AR inquiry and send details of staff held responsible along with details of punishment imposed in each individual case.

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Joint Director/Safety
Railway Board

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