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Ministry of Railways (Rail Mantralaya)  
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Sub: Providing Point Machines for operation of Non-interlocked Points.

It has come to notice that some of the railways have provided point machines for operation of non-interlocked points. It is unsafe to operate point machines without the full complement of circuitry. In case of obstruction in point, there are chances of point motor getting burnt or gap in the point may lead to derailment if the point is not clamped/cotter bolted. Besides, the power supply drawn for operation of these points, may load the main signaling supply and in case of any defect will result in blanking of main line signals which can result in endangering safety.

As per the Permanent Way Manual Item No.237(2)(d), the responsibility of installation & maintenance of non-interlocked points is with Permanent Way Staff.

The issue of electrical operation of non-interlocked points is under examination of Board. In view of the above, non standard arrangements being made for operation of non interlocked point using signaling point machine be discontinued and no further such arrangements made.

  
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