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रेल मंत्रालय Ministry of Railways
रेलवे बोर्ड (Railway Board)

2024/RS(G)/709/8(E 3462596)

Dated: 26.06.2024

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Sub: Inspection of cast wagon bogies and its assemblies.

Ref: Railway Board's letter No. 2024/RS(G)/709/8 dated 25.06.2024.

Please refer to Board's letter under reference (copy enclosed) directing inspection of cast wagon bogies and its assemblies to be performed by RDSO. In order to operationalize the referred instruction and supplement the Third Party Inspection portal, CRIS is requested to take action as per the following:

2.0 Problem Statement:

- i. RDSO presently maintains an independent inspection portal. The inspection related data generated by RDSO needs to be integrated with UVAM, IMMS, UDM and IREPS for better appreciation of available information.
- ii. Post implementation of Third Party Inspection (TPI) policy, the provision of super checks of the inspections, as available in the TPI contract, being carried out by TPI agencies is yet to be operationised on IREPS.
- iii. RDSO, being a vendor approving agency for safety critical items, is required to conduct periodic testing of certain items, to ensure compliance of quality assurance plans. Prior to implementation of TPI policy, RDSO was inspecting the material against the regular contracts and was thus able to monitor the quantities of items manufactured and supplied to Railways. However, since now RDSO does not take up the inspections, it does not currently gather information necessary for planning periodic testing. Therefore, there is a need to intimate RDSO, for all Category II items, where RDSO is mandated to conduct periodic testing, of the progress of manufacturing and supplies by approved vendors.

3.0 In view of the above, CRIS is requested to develop an inspection portal, for inspections conducted by RDSO, on IREPS platform, with complete roll out within 1 year from the date of issue of this letter or earlier, with following facilities apart from usual inspection facilities:

- i. For all category II items, which require periodic testing, RDSO should be able to monitor the quantities supplied by each vendor.
- ii. Allow for advance inspection call to be raised by contractor for supplies of sub-components from sub-vendors, without any confirmed order from Railways. The inspection certificates issued for such testing should be finally linked with the final inspection of the assembly, against an order for the assembly placed by Railways.

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- iii. The detailed data sheet of the testing should be available in data form on IREPS for the inspector to fill so that the data should be available for post analytics.
 - iv. There should be complete linkage between inspection portal and other relevant portals like IREPS, UVAM, IMMS, UDM and IPAS.
 - v. Inspection by RDSO for private wagon manufacturers (for components to be used for manufacture of wagons) may also be routed through the same portal, including advance inspection requests for components/ sub-assemblies.
 - vi. Once all the data sheets have been developed and made functional on IREPS, procuring entities may use the data so generated to develop a Process Inspection Order, to be used for process inspection to be carried out by TPI, in the long term.
- 4.0 Super checks, by RDSO, of inspection carried out by TPI for category II items is considered essential to ensure quality inspections. CRIS is requested to provide for randomly allocating super check of such inspections to RDSO. Super check of an inspection shall include any or all of the following:
- i. Witnessing inspection conducted by TPI at the premises of contractor.
 - ii. Sampling and testing by RDSO apart from the one done by TPI from manufacturer's premises either before or after issue of inspection certificate.
- 5.0 This is issued with the approval of Railway Board (MTRS).
- 6.0 This letter is in super-session of earlier Railway Board letter No. 2024/RS(G)/709/8 (E3462596) dated 18.06.2024, on the same subject, issued by this office.

DA: As above

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Reference has been received by Board from Eastern Railway highlighting problems pertaining to Third Party Inspection (TPI) of CASNUB-22 HS Bogie (bogie).

2.0 The matter has been deliberated in Railway Board and it has been decided that inspection of all cast wagon bogies and its assemblies shall be conducted by RDSO only, till further orders. The tender document and contract shall reflect that inspection shall be by "Consignee." It shall also be clarified therein that "inspection by consignee implies that the inspection shall be done by Railway agency, i.e. RDSO at firm's premises as per RDSO's approved Quality Assurance Plan." Existing contracts may be amended, by procuring entities, to reflect above change.


3.0 This is issued with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of Ministry of Railways and approval of Railway Board (MTRS).


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