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Sub.: Procurement of raw material for manufacture of personal protective gowns.

Ref.: i. Railway Board letter No. 2020/RS(G)/11/5 dated 31/03/2020.
iii. Railway Board letter No. 2020/RS(G)/11/5 dated 08/04/2020.

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1. To deal with emergent situation due to COVID-19 outbreak, Railway Board, vide letters referred above, had nominated Northern Railway as the centralized Railway to procure and distribute raw material for manufacture of personal protective gown by Railway Units. Accordingly, Northern Railway has so far been supplying the raw material to Railways as per their requirements intimated to Northern Railway.

2. It is seen that unlock process of the economy has started and economic activities are becoming normal day by day. Supply of raw material has eased out and also that Ministry of Textiles have informed about 30 sources of non-woven cloth on its website. Therefore, procurement and distribution activity of the raw material for PPE Coverall and the finished products required for response to COVID-19 situation can now be taken over by the individual Railway Units as per their needs and convenience.

3. It has therefore been decided that the centralized procurement of the raw materials for inhouse manufacture of coverall shall be discontinued and the Railway Units shall arrange these items themselves. Northern Railway may intimate the quantity of items for which it has already made arrangements and shall supply to Railway Units, enabling them to plan requirements accordingly.

4. Other conditions as contained in the referred letters shall apply.

This is issued with the approval of Railway Board (MMM).

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